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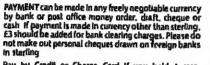
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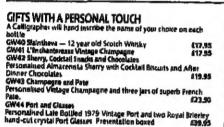
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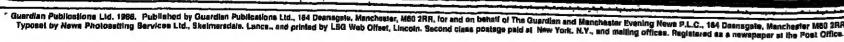
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## Terrorist bomb wave hits Paris

The fifth terrorist operation in 12 days in Paris killed one person and injured 51 on Monday. An Arab group demanding the release of Georges Ibrahim Abdalla, gaoled in France for possessing arms and wanted in Italy for terrorist involvement, claimed responsibility for all the attacks. France is introducing visa requirements for all visitors except those from the EEC and Switzerland, and the Prime Minister, Mr Chirac, has promised "draconian reprisals" against terrorists.

#### The French defence

THE countries of Europe have endured two terrible decades of terrorism. Britain, with the IRA. Italy, with the Red Brigade. Germany, with the Baader-Melnhoff gang. heat; and France, together with all its European friends, would do well to pause and draw breath. One Chirac measure the State's new ability to deport any Spain, with Basque separatists. During those years, Prime Ministers — like Olof unwelcome foreigner without evidence or right of judicial review - was already toven Palme — have died; or — like Margaret Thatcher — escaped by the skin of their in present, miserable circumstances) at the margin of democratic behaviour. Beyond that, in the Prime Minister's "draconian" teeth. The threat to civilised democratic bag, of policies, lies the kind of covert activity that scarred French society in the values has surfaced continually, and been resisted only with the greatest difficulty. heat of the Algerian war. Mr Even so, over those decades, it is hard to recall a terrorist campaign which, by its momentum, has posed the threat that France now grapples with. The shadowy Lebanese groups who have killed three and injured nearly two hundred over the last eight months show every sign of being the witness his immigration policies, and his early steps to reinforce the powers of the police) is no great civil libertarian. Yet he must take the most critical decisions to safeguard French liberties from the debasement that terrorists seek. That will be an awesomely taxing job. Ireland, gradually, insidiously, has chipped at the standards of British democracy. In most professional terrorists in European history. When the Government reacts, as it did on Sunday, introducing a wave of emergency powers, the killers reply instantly by exploding yet another bomb in Paris police headquarters. And eight months into the campaign, there are still no clues, still no arrests. Paris, bombed four times in a week, clearly feels itself vulnerable and bemused. That is the situation all terrorists lust after. If there is vulnerability, there is also the beginning of panic. France such standards are historically frailer in any case. At such a time it is vital that all of Europe realises that it has a stake here. A continent cannot hermetically seal its borders. But it can, however reluctantly, move towards atronger, consoli-

also the beginning of panic. Mr Jacques Chirac thus faces the sternest of personal tests (with a veritable overture of political calculation sounding at his back). On Sunday he seemed to have judged matters fairly shrewdly. There would be vigilance and troops on the streets, and — through visas — the tightest defence of its frontiers that France could contrive. He was reacting, but he was not panicking. Monday's fresh explosion, however, turns up the

Britain and the price of oil

NORWAY'S decision, against Whitehall's advice, to become a sort of country member of Opec (it is to cut oil exports by 10 per cent in November and December) has left. Britain as the only producer of any consequence out of step. There aught to be nothing surprising about that. After all, the British Coursement is a step that he was the course of the course of the step. British Government is a strong believer in free enterprise and competition. Why on earth should anyone even think that it could contemplate joining a cartel? The answer is that UK energy policy is schizophrenic: it consists of free markets abroad and and monopoly at home. The coal, gas, electricity and nuclear industries are all monopolies and gas will continue in this form after privatisation. Instead of allowing gas prices to stay at levels which the management of British Gas thought were commercially desirable, the Government has on at least three occasions forced gas prices up by 10 per cent in real terms. Neither coal nor electricity prices were

he deserves a respectful hearing as American anger rises over the growing probability that he and the KGB's Gennady Zakharov will shortly be swapped from the half-way houses of their respective ambassies in Washington and Moscow. For once, in a vignette to treasure, Mr Ronald Reagan is taking a Capitol Hill pasting for being too ...soft on the Russians. For once, though, Mr Recept is showing admirable good agree. Reagan is showing admirable good sense.

Last week no-one could be sure whether the

dated steps against terrorism. In particular,

it can ensure that a suspected terrorist deported from one nation of Europe cannot

deported from one nation of Europe cannot find easy shelter in another. Such a European dimension is important now because France—like Spein, like Italy, like Britain— cannot be left any longer to tackle the outrages alone. And the more that France feels (rightly) a part of a sympathetic, shared campaign, the more likely it is to held its navas standy during a

likely it is to hold its nerve steady during a

time of incipient turmoil.

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Daniloff affair was cock-up or a Kremlin

"LETS be reasonable, let's be calm, let's be sensible and give the diplomats a chance to fashion an imaginative solution." Mr Nicho-fashion an imaginative solution." Mr Nicholas Daniloff is indeed a sensible fellow, and he deserves a respectful hearing as Amerimysterious matter of why so much should have been made in America of the low-leve Mr Zakharov's arrest. There is, yet again, mr Zakharovs arrest. There is, yet again, secret service game-playing here, and the oldest of lessons. The West spies on the East; the East spies on the West. Such activities carry on regardless of diplomatic relationships, and both intelligence communities have a vested interest in keeping themselves in funds. But a nation that allows spying to get in the way of diplomacy is a nation that has confused the essentially Daniloff affair was cock-up or a Kremlin contrivance to postpone an unwanted summit. Friday night's move to the half-way houses settled that argument. The business was simple botch.

Since then we've witnessed the unedifying spectacle (aspecially in Moscow) of a superpower carrying on blustering in public, whilst retreating in private. Sad, but probably inescapable — with a CIA defector talking to Soviet television to keep up the trivial with the massively important. Mr Gorbachev has not handled the Daniloff



WHAT THE HELL WAS ALL THAT ABOUT?

#### Volatility — not 1929 again

week when the Dow Jones share index plunged 86.6 points. The percentage fall 14.6 per cent) was nothing like the notorious 12.8 per cent drop during the crash of October 28, 1929, but it has nevertheless drawn attention once again to the uncertain outlook for the US economy, with its gargantuan budget deficit (over \$200 billion). In an important sense the fall of the Dow Jones is merely a long overdue adjustment to the fact that share prices have risen by over 25 per cent this year. Adjustments in these days of huge financial Dow Jones is merely a long overdue adjustment to the fact that share prices have risen by over 25 per cent this year. Adjustments in these days of huge financial flows, instant world communications, and sense last week's fall was merely a stronger re-run of the July fall as the index tried to

adjust to reality.
But what is reality in Wall Street's hall of financial mirrors? The immediate cause of the fall was fear of sharply increased economic growth based on a 2.8 per cent rise

WALL STREET suffered its sharpest ever fall tin absolute terms) on Thursday last week when the Dow Jones share index 0.8 per cent. But the reaction in any case

further, but continues to be given the cold shoulder. If US interest rates start to rise flows, instant world communications, and computerised dealings come quick and brutal. Of the nine sharpest (absolute) daily falls in the history of the Dow Jones index, six happened this year. But they haven't been cumulative. So far, after each fall the index recovered. Only a few days ago, remember, it was at a record high. In this contained in the contained ation to show up in improved trade figures. In such circumstances the behaviour of the dollar can be expected to be highly volatile.

West Germany, Japan (and, indeed, Britain)
could help. Bonn has negative inflation
now. Week by week, America needs help more. When are we going to give it?
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#### Daniloff talks sense

INSIDE Iran prepares for final push...... 9 America's ad hoc foreign policy ......15 Troubled presidency of Aquino .....17 Book-hunting in London .....18 **Declamations of** Waugh .....20

# Not so 'fail-Swhy it is so important to

The Satretary of the Electricuctear industry has set up a Power Engineers' Associate reported claiming to in an TUC Conference airman of reactors are "fix Generating reactor avoirably contrasted contrayl reactor and Canadiasure-tube reactors (Candu) the one hand with British tors on the other.

hen a pressure tube of a du reactor fails — as they have is does so slowly over a period of reactor fails — which is very pressure vessel can be dethe one hand with British reactors on the other.

When a pressure tube of a Candu reactor fails — as they have — it does so slowly over a period of hours or even days, which is very long by comparison with the time required to operate the reactor controls. The reactor operators

have plenty of warning.

If the pressure vessel of a British reactor were to fail, it would do so

will become safer as we learn from accidents. The same has been true of the automobile, and our society has become irrevocably geared it despite a buge toll of road accidents and massive pollution. The consequences of getting "hooked" to atomic energy may be more far-reaching.

#### R. Belz, Hilversum, Holland. Hypocrisy and the monster we have any pressure vessel can be described as "fail-safe." R. V. Hosketh,

created

Experts seem to have returned ing all over Brian Thomas (Let-from the IAEA conference with the optimistic view that the benefits of atomic energy outwards that the constant of the origing that the constant of the original transfer. rapidly. It would go ping. The period of failure would be a fraction of a second, much less than gere after all, and that the thing last July was his own fault or the process of the photographer's death in Auckland than the photographer's death in Auckland the photographer's last July was his own fault or caused by harbour authorities' negligence. He didn't. He ironised broadly about the very selective emphasis of a Le Monde reporter's article which left precisely that impression — that the poor chap unfortunately did himself in. Thomas just kicked the door in and let the implicitly bitter parody run

The review of the book "Inquest

bius (but including President Mitterand) knew in advance about

the attack and lied about it after-

wards, along with the avowal by the previous head of France's

secret services on a recent television interview that those services had been behind numerous Green-

peace tribulations anywhere from

with an image of malign monkey-

ing and paranoid vengefulness mind-bogglingly at odds with the dignified, solemn honneur at the base of the gloire of this patrie, which is the compulsively polished image presented for consumption at home as well as abroad.

All major nations seem ensnared

in such deceit and hypocrisy, forced continually to feed and placate the insatiable monater they have created — the "noble"

image of the nation. Greenpeace

bowels of the engine room to

bowels of the crew, leaves us

throw of existing society. let the implicitly bitter parody run

Such reasoning meant she was not an opponent of all violence. In Warsaw in the revolutionary win-ter of 1905-06 she argued that the next step in the fight against 'Tsarism required socialists to "arm the most advanced workers" and to

of the performance and the orches-

virtually under the stage, the feet of the dancers were seldom visible

But it would be completely a distort the meaning of that lift forget that Rosa came down desively on one side against the other in the argument over reform as Chris Harman

What she did, rightly, point at was that the violence of the majority of society fighting for a emancipation would be on a mix

amaller scale than that used h minority ruling classes. Her warnings were vindicate

upper classes in 1919 not on

permitted the murder of Ross p many of her comrades, it also let

intact the forces that put Hitler in

focuses attention on the life of very great and inspiring women

Margarethe von Trotta's file

subsequent events. The failur of the German working day movement forcibly to dissum it

#### High-altitude hypoxia ing can only raise the tolerated degree of oxygen deficiency very slightly, and does so by increasing

We have read recently of people who climb high mountains without a source of exygen.' Insufficient oxygen and extreme cold are two important hazards encountered in the Himalayas. The brain is sensi-tive to insufficient oxygen (hypoxia) and can easily be permanently damaged. In contrast, a very low body temperature (hypothermia) can actually protect the subject against hypoxia. A situation where hypoxia is possible and well known to cause

permanent brain damage is that accountered by an infant (however husky) during a prolonged and difficult labor. The phrase "Mount Everest in utero" has been used by

Is it really sporting to struggle valiantly against hypoxia? The Oxford English Dictionary defines a sport as a "pleasant pastime", and the Random House Dictionary as "an athletic activity requiring skill or physical prowess". Train-

#### Tied up in knots

I agreed with most of what your reviewer. Christopher Hitchins, had to say about Baden: Powell and the Scout movement. However, I must take exception to his final

paragraph.
Mr Hitchins can tie sheepshanks in his sleep until he snores; he'll never join two ropes of different

#### the number of red cells in the blood. Even people who have grown up at high altitudes, and have unusually efficient breathing capacities, cannot escape the dam age of hypoxemic blood. If one accepts all this, then one

Lower Stone, Berkeley, Gloucestershire.

must believe that struggling into rarifled air without a supply o oxygen is not a sport but an effort to defy nature with a crude experi ment in physiology, the results of which are already well known, and likely to be sad. Richard L. Day, MD,

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sizes with it. The knot that he's searching through his boyhood dreams for is the sheet bend, also known in Yorkshire and Lancashire mills as the weaver's knot.

M. Neil Copeland PO Box 99,

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## and kindred groupings represent a very different way of being and of doing. It is a far, far better one. Michael Randolph, St Paul Cap de Joux, D. J. Stewart, Wilmslow, Cheshire.

I hesitate as a mere Englishman to intervene in a debate that

concerns the giants of the principality and only do so because I can speak with personal authority. Some years ago when playing for Esher RFC against Ebbw Vale, I had two teeth knocked out. The

Letters to the Editor are walcomed but not all can be acknowledged. We don't like cutting them but sometimes this is necessary to get them in the page — short letters atand a better chance. Send them to The Quardian Weekly, PO Box 19, Cheadle, Cheahire SKS 100 England.

I was surprised to read (September ?) that a steward at Pontypridd Rugby Football Club could sum up a case of knocking someone unconscious on the rugby field with the macho statement: "These boys are boisterous, but they are not dirty players."

One might deduce from this comment that the very reason mail people go abroad is that Correment policies make it simest in possible to earn a good standard living in Britain. All too draw work go unrewarded and so work go work go unrewarded and so work go work go unrewarded and so work go One might deduce from this comment that punching people in the face in Welsh rugby is commonplace, so what the hell!

I hesitate as a more Relative to the caught the other knocked my teeth out the next time I caught the ball. It was beautifully and swiftly executed; caught me a bit by surprise in fact. However I carried on playing February.

the match. At the end of it all, I asked myself why in God's name these boisterous boys didn't listen more to the preachings of their local MP, Michael Foot, on the need to distribute the milk of human kindness more widely. It was a silly thought because I'd forgotten that rugby is a religion in Wales. So the Pontypridd steward is right. It's got nothing to do with

right. It's got nothing to do with dirty play. Brian Sedgemore, MP, (Lab, Hackney S and Shoreditch), House of Commons.

Angela Carter,

While in the casualty department of Hemel Hempstead Hospital, I observed the nurses cutting patients' bed-sheets into triangles patients' bed-sheets into triangles

Where Wall Street is concerned, new technical developments have made it even more difficult to pin down the precise reasons for sudden market movements. One theory going round last week was that attempts to curb the increasing. N. Condon. Hitchin, Hertfordshire.

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## Role of violence in

Rosa's revolution Derek Malcolm (September 7) is quite right to say that "No film in London at the moment has more serious intent or raises more important questions" than does Mar- use the bloodiest means to me garethe von Trotta's Rosa tain its grip on society. It is madness to believe that capitalist will ever submit to the verdict de

So it is unfortunate that his short review of this excellent film socialist parliamentary majority and abandon their property, the profits and their privilege of a ploiting their fellow men." And a she argued, the mass of works has to be prepared to use "revitationary violence" against the ming minority.

short review of this excellent film contains two major errors which will mislead readers.

He claims that Karl Liebknecht, who was murdered on the same night as her in January 1919, was "her lover." This just is not true. They were both murdered because they worked closely together in opposing the First World War and in calling for revolution after it.

He refers to Rosa as a "pacifist." This too is misleading. She was a vehement opponent of imperialist war and hated any sort of bloodshed. But she was also a major Marxist thinker who insisted that war is a product of the division of society into classes.

Her most ambitious work, The Accumulation of Capital, set out to

Accumulation of Capital, set out to explain in this way the drive to war that ultimately led to World War One. Her conclusion was that the horror of war could not be ended without the forcible over-

into three state secrets" (Le Monde section, September 7) stating that everybody who was anybody in France except Prime Minister Fa-

> Look, no feet Rhodes's Oxbridge degrees

In Moscow in April I paid £1.85 for a ticket to see the Bolshoi Ballet, struggled through a crowd of Musch towards a sking for tickets, Your reviewer of the book "Oz ford and the Black Man's Burden' (August 24) states: "Rhodes never really knew Oxford at first hand bought my programme for 25p, and watched "Giselle" from the top tier of the beautiful Bolshoi honorary dogree, like that of theatre. From this bird's-eye view the tops of the dancers' heads were in view, but I could see the whole

dons."
This, I am afraid, is but another item of disinformation on South Africans Rhotes. tra.
In Manchester in August I paid £32 for a ticket to see the Bolshoi Ballet, struggled through a crowd was admitted as an undergradus to Oriel in 1873. After keeping his terms desultorily over a number years he took a pass degree it 1881. An honorary degree cans

of Mancunians, all protesting, bought a programme for £3 and watched "Divertissement" from the front row of the stalls of the I. E. Butler, Jutland Crescent, Port Elizabeth, SA. Palace theatre. From this view

Unrewarded effort and only half the stage could be

In answer to Mr Shaw's lette concerning expatriates and the vote (August 17) I would like to

If by having the vote the dust abroad could help to det a Government committed to higher employment, greater reward and less inhibiting tax, you would find that the (invariably highly qual-fied) expatriates would flood home and give the economy the boost is

Geneva. NHS casualties:

to replace the slings which I wanted the NHS is unable to provide Is this what is meant by Government art.

## Markets recovering their nerve

WALL STREET railied on Monday amid reassuring noises from ad-ministration officials who said that to be that the collapse had gone far ministration officials who said that there was now hope that Japan and West Germany would reduce their interest rates. London share prices also recovered strongly after the rout at the end of last week,

London FTA All

NOT long ago a prominent head-line in the Financial Times said,

Rise in new jobs dismays Wall

Street." It was a very accurate

description of what had gone on in the New York markets the night before and not a case of thick-skinned editing.

A rise in employment means that the economy is recovering.

This reduces the pressure on the

US Federal Reserve to cut interest rates, which it would normally do if it wanted to stimulate activity

and produce more jobs.

But if interest rates are no longer expected to fall, and even

worse if there is a prospect that they may rise in order to prevent too rapid a recovery of the economy, then bond prices automatically fall. Their prices are inversely linked to the cost of money.

Share prices also tend to fall in these discounts of the

these circumstances because of the short-term effect of higher interest

rates on profits. So inside the market it is perfectly natural to worry about rising employment because it will cost investors mon-

Only the narrowest professional dealer could miss the irony of a headline which proclaimed as bad news something which in the world outside the markets is regarded as wonderful.

The news of more growth ought to be good for companies and on the face of it should have the opposite effect. But the processes

opposite effect. But the processes

at work are never easy to pin

now play a big part on Wall Street. So investors seize on one aspect of the news, higher interest rates, and somehow that flushes out all

their lurking paranolas so that

they sell like mad. In other circum-

tances, if for example the market

has seen but not really understo

or assimilated a series of good news items, those same indications of better growth could have exactly the opposite effect, and trigger a rise in the stock market.

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enough. It had started on the Thursday

1800 New York Dow J Industrials 1700 Price Index

with the Dow Jones dropping 86,62 points to 1792.89, the biggest absolute fall in financial history. which was almost entirely a response to what was going on in the US. By the close Wall Street showed a rise of 8.86 points at 4.6 per cent far short of the 12.8 In the aftermath of last week's began on October 28, 1929. Small investors joined the professionals confidence over the weekend and the balance of opinion as the London markets opened appeared

4.6 per cent far short of the 12.8 per cent fall as the great crash began on October 28, 1929. Small investors joined the professionals on the Friday. At the close then the Dow Jones was 84.17 points down at 1768.72.

Why good news worries Wall Street

popularity of program trading — in which buy and sell orders are

automatically triggered by com-puter programs which react to market indicators — had made the fall far worse than it should have

Program trading is regarded as bad because it makes the instincts

of Wall Street even more herd-like

and chaotic. The Securities and

Exchange Commission recently in-troduced new timing rules to curb

it but the program trigger points may have been brought forward to last week to avoid the SEC's

But program trading only exag-gerates what is happening already. It is crystal clear from the graphs that Wall Street, as well as the

London stock market which it closely influences, has lost the panache it displayed during the boom earlier in the year. Since

then there has been a series of shake-outs when prices have dropped very sharply in both mar-kets but recovered again, to stum-ble on through the summer across

Sitting in New York or London, analysts and investors can count more negative signs than the positive ones such as the encouraging US figures for housing starts.

There was the resurgence in gold and platinum prices a few weeks ago, a classic sign of inflationary fears. There are rises in commod-

ity prices, including oil, which also make higher inflation likely.

serious disagreement between the US administration and Germany

and Japan over their refusal to

lower interest rates and reflate their economies to take the pres-

There is also a very strong feeling that, even before the latest modest indication that economic

performance is not quite as bad as it looks, the Federal Reserve has

gone as far as it dared in priming the pump with lower interest rates, and may even have overdone

sure off America.

an uneven plateau.

down: somewhere lurking in the market psychology are a raft of fears about higher inflation, the trade and budget deficits, and the value of the dollar, which particularly affects foreign investors who

Some market experts predicted that the same computer-based trading which contributed to last week's precipitate decline might be reversed later this week, sparking

reversed later this week, sparking a sharp rise in prices.

The idea of computers deciding on share sales rather raises the retort that if the people designing the computer programs were so bright that they knew when to buy and sell shares, why were they wasting their time playing with computers instead of retiring with a fortune? (The retort, incidently, has a further spplication with reference to share tips in newspapers.)

into an excuse for the kind of deep

pessimism that leads to real stock market crashes.

# rve maister quizzed on banning A BOOK critical of the Wars book Wars progress and Britain and Minister, resigned from withdrawn by the publishers, and ministers have been asked to explain whether the decision was a explain whether the decision was a result of pressure from the Govern-from the Govern

tion of Initiative — was to have been launched this week by John Wiley, a specialist computer pub-lishing house based in Chichester,

The author, Mr Richard Ennals,



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A well-publicised of ence, arranged for Wednesday and thousands of the book will be pulped. Ennals said he was not given any reason for the decision, and said

that the book had been passed by the publishers' lawyers.

Much of the book is a detailed

Much of the book is a detailed analysis of computer technology. The central thesis, Mr Ennals said, is that SDI could not work. He described it as celestial snooker.

The book also raflects wide-spread misgivings in Whitehall, including the Department of Trade and Industry and the Ministry of Defoncs, about SDI and the implications for British research and universities of the secret memorandum of understanding signed by Mr Michael Heseltine, the former defence secretary, and Mr former defence secretary, and Mr Caspar Weinberger, his US oppo-

There is serious concern among scientists and civil servants that the Pentagon and US companies are out to peach British physicists and impose tight controls on the transfer of technology and patent

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then I served my apprenticeship bird-watching there were heatened on the downs all through the summer, Dozens. of them nested in the innumerable

That same week I met a photo-grapher looking for chalkhill blue butterflies and feeling very grapher looking for chalkhill blue as the raven, red kite, polecat, and butterflies and feeling very pins marten, which disappeared pleased at having at last located a from London centuries ago, the colony. Had it been in the 1930s he would not have had far to search. I colony. Had it been in the 1930s he would not have had far to search. I bird which has failed to adapt remember that as the binder circled the barley-fields on our downlands farm the air would be hundred yards from Marble Arch. downlands farm the air would be alive with blue butterflies— chalkhill and adon's blues as well But the downs where these and so many other creatures flourished nightingale sang in Berkeley have been ploughed, and the Square, or anywhere near it, wheatears no longer nest there, while the chalkhill blues are confined to a few colonies.

The picture, however, is not one of unrelieved gloom, as I was reminded the other day by a new book; Wild in London (published this autumn by Michael Joseph at £8,95). David Goode, the author, is Stadd of the London Erolemy Unit Head of the London Ecology Unit, part of a nationwide decline, the so he could hardly be more knowledgeable on his subject. My own introduction to the natural history of London was the splendid and comprehensive volume, London's enough in rural Wiltshire to have comprehensive volume, London's Natural History, which an old a vernocular name — the "High colleague of mine, Richard Fitter, mountain sparrow" — but I have what has been happening in the wildlife balance sheet crows, magmetropolis during the past forty pies, Jays and starlings feature seem to have declined. The innot only supportable but even attractive, thanks to more tolerant nomenon noticeable in almost attitudes by humans.

"THE autumn migration is starting," a colleague observed to me on a day in August. "This morning I saw the first wheatears on the downs."

My mind needed a little edusting to this statement of fact, for when I served my apprenticeship in bird-watching there were in bird-watching there were all how encouraging to see that the author needs only three pages to cover the losses but 29 to deal with

the gains!: Leaving aside the species, such but they are too dependent on Farmland for food and now there are no rookeries in central London.

It is a very long time since a common in the outer environs, as, for instance, Richmond, Norwood,

reasons for which are still contro-

H. Hudson again observed that a severe winter (1887/1888) was largely responsible for their venturing so far up-river. A recent turing so far up-river. A recent turi turing so far up-river. A recent count of gulle in mid-winter 1983 in the London area resulted in a David Goode naturally has much total of over 290,000, of which 75% to say about urban foxes and were black-headed gulla. Over the past twenty or thirty years, how-

knew the location of several nests on ledges of tall buildings. David Goode says there are now more than 100 pairs nesting every year within Greater London. In the 1890s W. H. Hudson was extremely pessimistic about the kestrel ever returning to London, from which it had been banished by

Of smaller birds the blackbird has, as elsewhere, become thoroughly adapted to urban life, as have hedge-sparrows (dunnocks),

whitlock
prominently. Starlings roosting on
tall buildings in central London
are such a well-known feature of
pied wagtall as a road casualty? I the city that it is surprising to be reminded that the habit has developed only within the past hundred years. W. H. Hudson noted its beginnings in the sutumns of 1896 and 1897, and suchlike places in the very The familiar gulls, too, first beart of the City. The author became regular winter visitors provides an excellent picture of only a hundred years ago, and W. wagtails roosting in a small maple

badgers, and he notes, too, that collared doves, black redstarts and collared doves, black redstarts and cover, herring gulls have moved in and are now nesting regularly on rooftops in Whitehall and Westminster.

When for a few years in the late 1960s 1 lived in London 1 saw kestrels regularly in Marylebone Road and Portland Place, and I knew the location of several nests and collared doves, black redstarts and little ringed plovers have colonized the capital during the present tentury. What is more surprising is to find a page or so devoted to the ring-necked parakeet! "In the late 1960s," he writes, "people suddenly became aware of wild parakeets in a number of London when the location of several nests." Now apparently they are suburbs." Now apparently they are widespread and well established as a breeding species. Out of the breeding season they collect in flocks for foraging and roosting. Obviously they originated from birds escaped from aviaries. An-other unexpected colonist is the Mandarin duck, which is nesting in the wild along many of London's tributary rivers and is gradually edging its way deeper and deeper into London.

The message is encouraging. colleague of mine, Richard Fitter, mountain sparrow" — but I have blue tits, great tits and Clearly an increasing number of prepared for publication in 1945. not seen the bird for many years. greenfinches, though chaffinches wild creatures is finding urben life so it is highly instructive to learn. On the credit side of London's seem to have declined. The innot only supportable but even

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#### A COUNTRY DIARY

CHESHIRE: On the Common, the heather is in full bloom, the blackberries are ripening, and the rowans are hung with great swags of scarlet fruit. The long spell of damp weather has brought out scores of toadstools of many kinds scores of toadstools of many kinds, including tawny grisettes, yellow-capped russula clarofiava with their thick white stems, funnel-shaped clitocybe flaccida and, in the oakwood, long-stemmed collybia dryophila. More attractive than these, however, were the numerous fly agarica with their numerous fly agarica with their scarlet caps flecked with white, the toadstools so beloved by the illus trators of fairy tales. A roadside tree-stump was completely covered by a huge colony of fan-shaped grifola gigantea comprising acores of overlapping individuals. Their short stems were so tough that penknife was necessary to detech

never been known to kill anything

before.
The fauna and flora of inner cities is a fascinating subject, so was most interested to hear from reader of a charm of goldfinches in the trees of a little garden and a pair of carrion crows on the top of a bank building in central Manches-

one of them. Foxes continue to venture inte populated areas. Recently a friend listurbed an adult specimen in his llotment close to the town centre. narrow opening in the fence and, to my friend's great distress and before he could do anything, his dog leapt upon the fox, seized it by the back of its nack and killed it with one savage shake. The dog is a beautiful and gentle creature, a doberman-retriever cross. It had

L. P. Samuels

#### **Keeping the Alliance together**

Conservative Government.

scolder in the Prime Minister's

SOCIAL Democrats went some way at their annual conference this week towards smoothing out the differences between them-selves and their Alliance partners, the Liberals, on the thorny subject of nuclear defence, which suggests an awareness by both parties that this year's conferences could well be the last before a general elec-

The Social Democrats, led - and largely dominated — by the former Labour Foreign Secretary, Dr David Owen, have always been in favour of an independent British nuclear deterrent and, therefore, of replacing the ageing Polaris sub-marine fleet. Liberals, with far marine fleet. Liberals, with far more unilateralist members, want nothing to do with British nuclear weaponry even though their leader, Mr David Steel, favours a more carmensising attitude in the incompromising attitude in the in-terest of Alliance unity.

The youthful SDP, however, is conferences can be stage managed. Some clever management this week ensured majority support for an Alliance commission report which simply leaves open the question of replacing Polaris pending a detailed policy agreement with the Liberals before the gener-

al election campaign.

It was not entirely to the liking of the SDP's defence spokesman, Mr John Cartwright, who did not want the question left open. "If we ter as an important symbol of her are seen to be putting our political interests before the defence of Britain we shall not get the confidence of the public, and nor shall we deserve it," he said. The Liberals will doubtless say something similar, if more rudely, at the sandard and BA will be floated on the said market in Language of the said market in Language of the same agreement. Both sides, however, will be aware ary. It is expected to fetch around that unilateralism is less of a vote- £800 million, which is about £200 loser than it was in 1983 and, million down on earlier estimates. according to the latest opinion poll, now commonds itself to 44 per cent of the electorate.

The sale is being timed to cash in on the euphoria likely to surround the November flotation of

Mr Steel, in pragmatic mood, urged his SDP allies not to agonise too much over the shape of the partnership. Labour was lost irretrievably to the left; the Government exhausted and dehumanising, he said. The Alli-

ance offered the only real choice between an unreconstructed Labour Party and a burnt-out Mrs Thatcher, perhaps also limbering up for an election, car-ried out a minor reshuffle of her ministerial ranks mainly designed. it seemed, to reassure the right wing of the party. Seven ministers, mostly of a dampish disposition, gone by 4.6 per cent.

The most notable promotion was that of Mrs Edwina Currie, a own image, to be Under Secretary for Health. Most of those dismissed — Timothy Raison (Foreign Of-fice), Barney Hayhoe (Health) and area of Bristol in the wake of a George Young (Environment) — were evidently guilty of failing to "soll" some of the less popular Thatcherite policies.

Mrs Thatcher pleased her rightwingers with the announcement
that British Airways is, at last, to
be sold off. Sale of the airline,

British Gas. That will be the injured, one seriously, and 80 largest privatisation of all and the

which showed an annual rate, unchanged from July, of 2.4 per cent. This compares with an underlying rise in earnings which is still put at 7.5 per cent. There is a belated realisation, however, that different social groups experience different inflation rates. People with the law and the system of fixed penalty tickets are wayten of fixed penalty tickets. ple like the low paid and pensioners, for instance, who are less likely to have cars and therefore do not benefit from lower petrol prices, claim that the prices of the goods they consume have

police operation against suspected illegal trafficking in drugs and alcohol. Over a period of two days, gangs of mainly black youths used bottles, stones and knives in attacks on police and also tried to stadium in Brussels last year. All barricade a street with hijacked are jointly charged, under Belgian vehicles. Nine police officers were law, with the involuntary man-

The Week in Britain by James Lewis

largest privatisation of all and the Government machinery is being geared up to ensure that the flotation is as great a success as the sale of British Telecom.

The Treasury was well pleased with the August inflation figures which showed an annual rate, which showed an annual rate, when it total of street robberies. The depution orders against them should be some say in the backing of the constable of Avon and the constable of Avon and some say in the sale of the city's will be decided whether extradition orders against them should be heard collectively or singly.

The St Paul's area, which featured in the inner-city rlots of 1981, is said by the police to second for the city's will be decided whether extradition orders against them should be heard collectively or singly.

to cover 250 different motoring offences in an attempt to reduce the workload, and delay, in magistrates' courts. Until now, fixed penalties (of £10) have been restricted to parking offences, As from next month, motorists will A force of 600 police had to be deployed to quell disturbances which broke out in the St Paul's endorsable offences such as speeding. The amounts go up by 50 per cent if fines are unpaid after 28 days.

aughter of Mr Mario Ronchi just people were arrested.

The St Paul's area, which feakick-off between Liverpool and

An inquest on 55 people who died in last year's Manchester air disaster was told of the alarming speed with which fire engulfed a Boeing 737 as it was about to take off on a holiday charter flight to Corfu. The plane was nearing take-off speed when a combustion

Although the plane was brought to a halt within a minute of the explosion, flames were said to have melted the skin of the Boeing in less than ten seconds. Black smoke filled the cabin and most of the dead succumbed to the toxic fumes. Questions were asked about faults slow acceleration and slow idling — reported in the Pratt and

Whitney engine two days before the disaster and about whether the plane's operators, British Airwaya, or the engine manufacturers had ever issued warnings that such faults could point to combustion

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## Lartigue the photographer

By Michael McNay

WHEN Jacques Henri Lartigue ranged through the century from sepia prints to experiments with little sun, symbol of happiness, source of light. Lartigue himself was a force of nature and his death n Nice last week at the age of 92 deprives photography of one of its great men, a snap-shooter of ge-

Theory never touched his work. Not for him the agonising over whether photography was an art. He painted as well, not too badly, not very well, and may be that got art out of his system. In any case he was only seven when he re-ceived his first camera from his father and he wrote then in the diary that he kept in conjunction with his photographs: "Photogra-phy is a magic thing."

For Lartigue, cameras never lost their magic. He was a child of rich bourgeois parents and his photography registered the leisure-time

"community of the Cote d'Azur.

It was as though Proust had been equipped with a camera, but a Proust with a family adventurous above the ordinary, flyers and motor racers. Lartigue retained the innocent eye of childhood and his camera created the myth of a world of innocence, not before the fall, because in Lartigue's world the paradise garden is never absent even if after 1939 it was not quite within camera range, but just around the corner.

In 1979 Lartigue donated his entire collection of work to the French nation, and there is a deeply impressive permanent exhibition of his photographs in the pursuits of the middle classes. He Grand Palais in Paris

#### 'Pathfinder' Bennett

Air Vice Marshall Bennett won the DSO after being shot down while leading a bombing attack on the German battleship Tirpitz. An expert in aerial navigation, he was appointed commander of the RAF's Pathfinder Force which flew ahead of bombers, marking routes with target flares.

Alexandra Bay, South Africa, in 1932 has never been bettered.

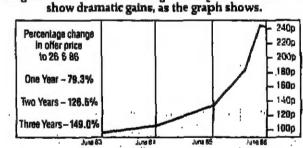
DONALD "Pathfinder" Bennett, colleagues and was criticised for an outstanding figure of his generation in both military and dvil aviation, died on Monday, one day after his 76th birthday.

Air Vice Marshall Bennett won in unnecessary casualties, his drive and energy made a great contribution to the bombing offensive against Germany, particularly, in improving his force's navigain improving his force's naviga-tional standards.

Alexandra Bay, South Africa, Although he quarrelled with 1988, has never been bettered.

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More than 30 people were injured in a second tremor two days later which demolished buildings already weakened by the first shock.

TWELVE people were wounded by police tire when a crowd marched on administrative offices in Sharpeville in the Transvael to protest at the eviction of rent defaulters. Many residents in Sharpeville and the sister townships are refusing to pay rent in protest at apartheld and local rule by the "collaborating" town ouncil.

Tension also ren high in source after weekend fighting between Ruly migrant workers and load residents loft at least three people deed.

The US sourcest of State, Bir George The US sourcest of State, Bir George The US sourcest to State, Bir George The State are expected to be on the list open of the Front Line states, are expected to be on the list. The State Department said that Mr. Shultz had been anxious to visit Africa for a long time to discuss how to end apartheid and talk about the economic problems of the continent.

ALGO GUCCI, the patriarch of the Florence lead 35, was sentenced to one year and one day in goot for tax evasion by a Federal Court in New York. Mr Gucci had pleaded guilty at his trial in January to alling to report at least \$11.8 million in tailing to report at least \$11.5 million income over six years and has agreed to pay the internal flevenue Service \$7.4 million. It was assumed he would receive a euspended sentence because of his age. He will be eligible for parole after serving four months.

THE pro-iranian Islamic Jihad (Holy War)

group last week denied responsibility for kidnapping an American citizen, Frank Reed, in West Beirut. The statement was accompanied by a colour photograph of a US hostage, David Jacobsen, whom laiemic Jihad admits holding along with two other Americans — journalist Terry Anderson and university dean Thomas Sutherland.

THE Solidarity underground reader, Mr Zbigniew Bujsk, released from prison isst week under a new Government amnesty, sold he believed the union's supporters had a chance to act openly for the first time since the declaration of martial law

"There is a cartain chance or organis-ing open, or anyway helf-open, activity in the country." Mr Bujak said. "This is a big chance for us." But, he warned: "The authorities will be demanding the com-plete liquidation of Solidarity organisa-tions. They will not tolerate any open proposale from Solidarity."

VIETNAM at the weekend put casualties from last week's Typhoon Wayne at nearly 400 deed and 2,500 injured, and seld it was still counting. The Vietnam

News Agency said that the atorm wrecked 650,000 houses and 11,000 schools and hospitals, and early 200 Korean agents, or "impure elements" acting for North Kores, for the blast. No

AUSTRIA'S Chancellor Franz Vranitzky announced the end of the governing coalition between his Socialist Party (SPO) and the small rightwing Freedom Party (FPO) and said there would be an early general election on November 23. AN iraqi diplomat was killed in Karaohi at the waskend when a time bomb hidden beneath the front seat of his car exploded. The iraqi Embassy in islamabad identified the dead diplomat as vice-consul Nithili Abdul al Salam. Earlier in the week lann feed a long cancer missille. the week Iran fired a long range missila into Baghdad, hitting a poor residential area and idling 21 civilians and injuring 81 others. (Iran prepares for line) push —

THE former Prime Minister of Grace, Mr Panaylotis Kanelopoulos, a mild-man-nered historian whose caretaker govern-ment was overthrown by the 1967 colo-net's coup, died lest week aged 83.

page 9.)

A Libyan official was being interrogated in Pakistan at the waskand on auspicion of involvement in the hijacking of the Pan Am sirliner at Kerachi airport as a result of which 21 paople diad. The man named as Sulman si-Tarkal, was arrested when he disembarked at lalemand dirport from an internal flight coming from Kerachi last Wednesday. COMMON MARKET foreign ministers meeting in Brussels were in disarray after failing to spree on a package of economic senctions against South Africa. West Germany and Portugal were putting up strong opposition to including a ban on imports of coal along with the measures already agreed in principle by EEC government leaders at their Hagus summit in June. at Seoul's Kimpo international airport at the weekend killing five people and injuring 19. The authorities blamed North

#### Peres-Mubarak summit came too late

LAST week's Alexandria summit conference between Israel's Shimon Perea and Egypt's Hosni fused to be rushed beyond the boundaries of his coalition agreement as the summit that came too late — too late in the week to last

Those boundaries included no acmore than 24 hours, too late in the ceptance of some sort of indepenmonth to entice Secretary of State dent Palestinian entity and no George P. Shultz to attend and talks with the PLO. Despite his play the role of catalyst. And, most public criticism of PLO intransi-of all, it came too late in Peros' gence. Mubarak. and his top of all, it came too late in Perce' gence, Mubarak, and his top torm in office to create the kind of foreign affairs aide, Osama Baz. momentum at home that the po-litically moderate Israeli premior contend that both the entity and the PLO are necessary components needs to overcome the deep scepticism and disappointment about the Middle East peace process that afflict his wary country-

That was the main reason why Perce and his sides had desperatebe became Prime Minister two years ago. They perceived that it would not be possible to reawaken the Israeli public's dormant desire to pursue a peace settlement with its Arab foes without first thawing relations with the one former enemy that has made peace with the Jewish state.

participation might have made a critical difference, they said, by pushing both leaders to compromise further. Instead, there was a vague but optimistic communiqué and an argreement in principle" to sot up a preparatory committee to pave the way for an equally vague to the Likud leader. "Shamir can destroy it very easily," he said, noting that the Likud has long opposed the concept of an international conference. "But he will be said. "He'll have to at least go through the motions." — Washing-ton Post.

To the Likud leader. "Shamir can destroy it very easily," he said, noting that the Likud has long opposed the concept of an international conference. "But he will be said. "He'll have to at least go through the motions." — Washing-ton Post. y sought this summit ever since the Jewish state.

But time has run out for Peres, as he himself acknowledged. "The only common enemy we have discovered over the last 24 hours is the shortage of time," he told reporters on Saturday after con-cluding the first session in five years between Israeli and Egyptian heads of state. "If we cou have had a bit more time, I think we could have made more

Peres was referring to the fact that the conference was limited to 24 hours because the Jewish Sabbath began on Friday night and Peres is scheduled to leave for Washington the following Monday. But he could also have been referring to the fact that he is a leader with less than five weeks to go before he must turn over his office to his rightist political rival, Yitzhak Shamir, who opposed the 1979 Camp David peace accord. and is certain to take a harder line

The meeting did succeed in formalising the new thaw in Israeli-Egyptian relations reflected in the resolution of the Taba border dispute and the return of Egypt's ambassador to Tel Aviv, both announced last week. But it also demonstrated the wide gap be-tween the two sides on the issue that in the long term may have more influence on bilateral relations than any other — the fate of the Middle East's Palestinians.

Mubarak pushed from the start of the talks for a breakthrough on the issue of the Palestinians, 1.3 million of whom live under Israeli military occupation in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Israeli sources said Peres re-

#### By Glenn Frankel in Jerussiem

Peres' refusal to "stretch" or break the pact with the Likud was deplored even by some members of his own negotiating team, who had hoped he could be pushed further by a persussive Mubarak. Shultz's participation might have made a critical difference, they said, by

PRESIDENT AUGUSTO PINOCHET of Chile last

week celebrated the 13th anniversary of the military coup which brought him to power with one of his fiercest attacks yet on the Opposition, and the announcement that following last Sunday's assassination attempt against him, the Government had decided to protect the college of the contract of the con

decided to postpone plans to allow a significant number of the country's almost 4,000 recognised

exiles to return. General Pinochet bitterly accused the non-Marxist

opposition of "political corruption" by allying with Communists, and accused "naive sectors in the West"

of joining in a "campaign costing millions" against his regime, aimed at "serving the expansionist interests of the Soviet Union".

Referring to the recent discovery of alleged

guerrilla arsenals and last Sunday's attack, he said:
"The Marxists failed in 1973 and are now trying to
impose there will through a revolutionary war." But,
he added, "we have won another battle."

Referring to the exiles, he said the Government

on the situation, but this had been postponed as

exiles who have been allowed to return".

after the 1973 coup.

would follow in 1990.

"there is proof of the participation in recent events of

Speaking in a televised broadcast from the Diego

Portales government building, President Pinochet also announced the promulgation of a law to re-open electoral registers destroyed by the military regime

This is the first of a series of long-awaited political laws being prepared to allow the plebiscite, planned for 1989, in which military chiefs will propose a single candidate for the next eight-year presidential term. Elections for a partially-elected Congress would follow in 1990

President Pinochet also said that a law legalising

international conference on Middle East peace. Crucial details such as who would participate and what they would talk about were left undecided.

The tragedy, one analyst said, was that both men, given their personal choice, would like to have gone a good deal further. "The amount of resistance between these two people is minimal." said these two people is minimal," said Shimon Shamir of Tel Aviv University, one of the country's leading experts on Egyptian affairs.
"But Mubarak was held back by
Baz and the PLO and Percs by the

The new thaw could freeze over again quickly when the Likud takes over the premiership, said Shimon Shamir, who is no relation to the Likud leader. "Shamir can to the Likud leader. "Shamir can the Likud leader." Shamir can the likud leader. "Shamir can the likud leader." Shamir can the likud leader. "Sham

Opponents face Pinochet backlash

By Malcoim Coad in Santiago

some political parties would be on the statute book in the "first months of 1987".

A Santiago court has granted amnesties to 40 members of the armed forces and four civilians who

## Bombers take their revenge on Paris

By Campbell Page In Paris

police headquarters killed one person and wounded 51 others, three of them seriously.

HOME went off outside a waiting room

Police said that one unidentified victim died in hospital several hours after the bomb shattered windows and sent plaster and masonry flying into the large central courtyard of the ornate 19th century Prefecture de Police

were being investigated for their alleged part in the disappearance of 10 Communist political prisoners in the mid-1970s. Among them is a former member of

under the Allende government is the main suspect in the hunt for the guerrillas who narrowly missed assassinating President Pinochet, government

The Secretary-General of the Government. Mr Francisco Javier Cuadra, said Mr Cesar Bunster Ariztia, son of Mr Alvaro Bunster, ambassador in

London between 1970 and 1973, is accused of renting

the safe house where the guerrillas prepared the ambush against the presidential motorcade, and of

renting three lorries used to transport weapons and

Radio France International, denied that his son was involved in the attempt. He described the accusation

as "an attempt to cast a shadow on Chilean emigres

and indirectly to get at the Mexican government".

A spokesman for the Manuel Rodriguez Patriotic

Front, a gorup opposed to the military government of General Pinochet, claimed responsibility for the machine-gun attack on the general's motorcade. The body of a journalists' leader picked up at his

home by civilian agents has been found near a

cametery in northern Santiago. Police sources confirmed that Mr Jose Carrasco, a leader of the

College of Journalists and foreign editor of the opposition magazine, Analisis, had been shot in the head. Analisis is one of six papers banned recently.

Mr Alvaro Bunster, interviewed in Mexico by

sals" against its instigators, learned of the latest attack when lunching with Prince Rainier of Monaco.

An underground group demai in French gaols claimed responsibility for the explosion. In Beirut, a telephone caller claiming to speak for the Committee of Solidarity with Arab and Middle East Political Prisoners asked an

Le Monde reports on the terrorist threat: 11/12/13

international news agency to inform (President) Mitterrand and Chirac that the next operation will be at the Elysée" (presidential

palace).
Monday's bomb was the fifth terrorist operation (four of them successful) mounted in the capital in the last 12 days by the solidar ity committee which is pressing for the release of Georges Ibrahim Abdallah, leader of the Armed Revolutionary Lobanese Fractions.

President Mitterrand said on Monday that the struggle against terrorism was a matter for the entire country. Whoever attacks human life should be pursued ruthlessly.

in the mid-1970s. Among them is a former member of the military junta, air force General Gustavo Leigh.

The 44 had been charged by investigating Judge Carlos Cerda with kidnappings, and belonging to an illegal organisation, after revelations by deserters and detainess of operations by the security services in the years after the 1973 military coup.

The son of a former Chilean ambassador in London under the Allanda covarament in the main susception. France's decision to demand entry visas from all visitors except citizens of the EEC and Switzer land mot some criticism. The Austrian Foreign Minister, Mr Peter Jancowitch, whose country sends half a million visitors to France each year, described the measure as being "unparalleled in Europe for decades".

The Swedish Foreign Minister Mr Lennart Bodstrom, underlined the negative aspect of restrictive freedom of movement, while be Moroccan embassy here under stood the reason for the France

The EEC has responded to France's request for rapid consultation on terrorism by fixing an emerger cy meeting of the Community interior ministers on September 2 when practical measures will

 Italy has asked France to extradite Abdallah, who is serving a four-year gaol term for arms possession. His extradition was requested on September 8 so that he could be questioned about alleged involvement in Middle East terror

activities in Italy.
Two Lebanese linked Abdallah's
group, Abdullah el-Mansouri and
Josephine Abdo Sarkis, were sentenced by a Trieste court in June last year to 16 and 15-year gool terms for taking part in terrories All Moscow journalists 'potential targets'

By Martin Walker in Moscow

THE American reporter, Mr Nick Daniloff, making his first formal comments to the press since his arrest in Moscow on spying charges, said on Sunday that all comments to the press since his arrest in Moscow on spying charges, said on Sunday that all journalists in the Soviet Union were potential KGB targets.

Mr Daniloff, aged 51, described his interrogation by security police during 13 days in Lefortovo prison as "mental tarture"

He stressed that he was hoping for a new diplomatic solution that would let him return to the US without going through the ordeal of a trial. But a straightforward exchange between Mr Zakharov and Mr Daniloff would look uncomfortably like a victory for the KGR

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He was seized by the KGB on August 30 shortly before completing a 5½ year assignment for US News and World Report magazine.

"What's happened to me is a problem that involves all of you," he told a large crowd of reporters who gathered at the commercial "I was not cold, not hungry, and I was not abused in any physical sense," he said of his 13 days in Lefortovo. "The mere fact of being in a cell, isolated, and not allowed hand a cold, and not allowed the cold in a cell, isolated, and not allowed the cold in a cell, isolated, and not allowed the cold in a cell, isolated, and not allowed the cold in the

who gathered at the commercial office of the US embassy to hear his story after his release from prison on Friday night. "All of you are potential targets for this sort of

Mr Daniloff repeated his conviction that he had been framed as the United States, and that all of part of a Soviet atempt to secure my actions were on my own the release of Gennady Zakharov, initiative or on the request of my the release of Gennady Zakharov, a Soviet physicist arrested in New

#### Voices in the dark THE phone rings in the Guardian fraction of a journalist's work in

Moscow office at Gruzinsky Perculok and the voice says in caution.

ms again and where can we meet.
In the old days, the days before
Nick Daniloff found himself in
Moscow's Lefortovo prison after attending such a meeting, I would have gone as soon as possible, looking forward to renewing an acquaintance and hearing some gossip and sharing a convivial

These days, like all of my colleagues in the Western press in Moscow, I will be thinking twice, trying to remember the exact circumstance in which I met the caller. And I will be nagged by the seed of doubt and mistrust that the Daniloff affair has sown in all our

For the moment, most of us are operating under what we call cold Soviet contacts, we take a colleague along, just in case. We let wives and friends know where we are going, and when we should get back. We shy away from the usual casual meeting places outside Met-ro stations and on favourite bouleappointments in our offices, even as we know that walls have ears

and phones have tape recorders. The problem is that over the years, a pattern of working has been forced on the Western press in Moscow that would arouse the suspicions of even the sleepiest KGB men.

Russian friends and contacts, we are discreet in our meetings. When we go to their homes, we go by Metro, rather than in our care with their glaringly distinctive number from a police check on their

We get phone calls that begin "Do you recognise my voice?" and go on to say that Sasha has been go on to say that Ssaha has been arrested, or that Lev has lost his job because he applied for a visa, or us, whether the Daniloff case was

ries and contacts make up only a now living under cold war rules.

Moscow. But ironically, the growing access that we are getting to excitable Russian that its owner Soviet officials and academics and has just flown in from Georgia or the well-informed people in think-tarvia or Siberia and wants to see

legal counsel, interrogated for four

hours every day, is a very, very hard burden. I have to tell you that

He added: "Throughout all of

this interrogation I've always said that I was under no instructions

it is mental torture."

If you are lucky enough to get the home phone number of one of these people, and are on good enough terms to talk frankly, rather than hear an instant replay of that day's Pravda editorial, the etiquette is that you phone from a public call box. Or you meet in private homes or over lunch, or

It is not that there are secrets being conveyed, but we are still living in the shadow of an older, grimmer Soviet security system, when even to think aloud about policy options in front of a foreign

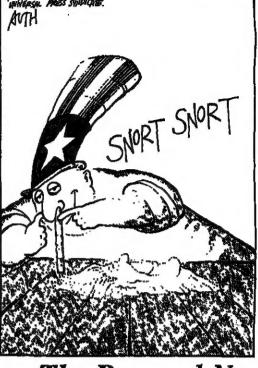
At least, we thought it was only the shadow of the bad old days, bu the arrest of Daniloff means that war rules. When we go to meet the old nightmares are still with us. This is bad news for us journalists, but in the long run rather worse news for the Soviet

casual meeting places outside Met-ro stations and on favourite boule-vards and try to arrange making establishment in the 18 months since Gorbachev came to power improved our insights into the way the system worked, and probably gave the Soviet Union a better international image than it

better international image than it has enjoyed for years. If that process comes to a halt after the Daniloff affair, the Moscow journalism will be back to square one, translating the Soviet press conferences. In short, acting simply as conveyors for the infor-

This, of course, may be what the plates. When we invite them to our KGB's heavy mob intended. There homes, which are invariably sur-rounded by wire fences and flood-indian are people here who loathe the way the growing number of Western lights with a police guard on the gate, we drive them fast up to the door and rush them inside, to spare accords and the Soviet PR machine them the problems that can come slowly accepts that its own increasing slickness starts to make Moscow more and more of an

that Marina made the trek to the a strange aberration, or the start prison but was unable to see our of a new policy. For the moment, I believe it was the former, but like These days, those dissident stu- every Western reporter here, I am





### The Ron and Nancy anti-drug show

herself as a serious presidential

consort rather than a mere clothes

when Ronald and Nancy Reagan appeared together on nationwide television to rally public support in the renewed and increasingly hysterical fight against drug abuse — hours after the First Ludy had admitted that her own children ad smoked a little dope in college.

It was their first scripted ap-pearance together in a substantial work since Hellcats of the Navy (1955). As such, it received a one star rating in the New York Times gua, the current frenzy has the air TV guide — along with a repeat of about it of a brief interlude, after Winds of War, and a new film to struggle on with the problem about General George Patton (also one star), all of which the Reagans But, inasmuch as it had a

America's affluent middle class does not hold them responsible for the supposed cocaine epidemic at November's mid-term elections. Like Colonel Gadafy, or Nicara-Walt Disney's Dumbo (1941), which the professionals will be left

displaced for 30 minutes of prime starting point, it was the cocaine-

THE slender gap between America's politics and its show business shrank still further on Sunday, suggesting that the overall drug problem is no worse, and may even e slightly improved.

But in recent months the field The media, however, has alighthas been crowded by public fig-ures, from her husband downed upon "crack", the fashionably new and inexpensive way to forget wards, anxious to make sure that 1986 for a while, as a major frontpage story. Police and politicians have not been far behind in getting their share of the action.

Only last Thursday, the Democrat-controlled House of Represen tatives passed a bill over liberal protests about civil rights which would deploy a decidedly reluctan Pentagon in pursuit of drug-traf-fickers from Latin America, and allow the use of illegally obtained time on the three main networks. related deaths of two brilliant evidence in some cases and the The broadcast was the high young athletes, basketball star, death penalty in others.

#### Doubts on role of Pretoria's youth camps

By David Beresford in Johannesburg

CONCERN about South Africa's ache for Government. so-called reabsorption camps which provide "education" courses for youths on their release from detention, increased sharply this week with allegations that they are being used to recruit police informers, being run by well-known rightwingers, and that they make be linked with the state

make be linked with the state security apparatus.

The white parliamentary opposition, the Progressive Federal Party, which is investigating the camps, is expressing suspicion that they are being run by the country's "Joint Management Committees"—regional organisations falling directly under the control of the powerful State Security Council and made up of senior army and and made up of senior army and police officers as well as local business and community leaders.

Former detainees who have attended the camps have also number of years" his department claimed that they have been taught to identify specific weapons during the "courses," apparently to help them work as informers. The allegations have all been denied by the authorities. the authorities.
The Joint Management Commit-

tees have been set up as part of a "national security management as "national security management asystem" to recommend action in a dealing with security problems, ranging from specific action by police or troops to the upgrading of living conditions. Little is known about their operations, but leaked documents disclosed recently that they were involved in attempts to break the township rent boycotts, which have become a major head-

being run by a Pretoria "con-sultancy" headed by two academ-ics, one of whom was described as a said there were "five or six" camps leading "back room strategist" in the ruling National Party, with known rightwing and Defence

Force connections. The newspaper also claimed that the camps may account for the fact people who have gone missing in South Africa are absent from lists of detainees issued by the Government. It suggested that, because attendance at the camps is theoretically voluntary, they have been

The Deputy Minister of Educa-tion, Mr Sam de Beer, said in a statement last week, that "for a

Mr de Beer said the courses had no "political component" and those attending were free to withdraw at any time. Minors were admitted only with the written permission of the arms of t of their parents or guardians.

A black Johannesburg newspaper, the City Press, reported at the weekend that the camps were heined to the component officials said

around the country.

An alleged member of the African National Congress, described as one of the 10 most wanted men in South Africa, has been shot dead in custody. Jacob Mahlangu was killed by detectives on Thurs-day night while handcuffed and shackled after allegedly snatching a gun and opening fire on his police escort. He was arrested on

Police said Mahlangu was guid ing them to arms caches and accomplices in a township near Pretoria when he grabbed a revolver from a detective's holster tive shot him dead.

Mahlangu was said to have been many detainees prompted the department "to extend to them an offer to voluntarily attend such courses after their release."

pattend detainees prompted the depositively implicated in at least 17 crimes, including two murders and several armed robories. He was courses after their release." was a member of the ANC.

gest that nearly half South Afri-ca's working population may be unemployed. Sociologists at the of their parents or guardians.

A spokesman for the department handling black education said the camps were designed to ease detainees yet back to freedom. Mr Job Shoeman said: "There's nothing sinister about it. I know some University of the Witwatersrand

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medium range and short range missiles, which are deployed on

European territory and which are

directed by Europeans against Eu

He sharply took issue with a decision by the Bonn Government

to participate in SDI research and

asked: "Why don't you put the SDI issue and the arms reduction issue

at the top of the agenda for the

Of relations between Washington and the Government of his

successor, Chancellor Helmut

Kohl, he said: "He who gives the

impression of having no objection to the status of protected depen-

dent should not be surprised if he

Alliance (Nato)?"

generated by President Reagan's appeal for allied help in dealing with Colonel Gadafy, and by the US Administration's desire not to US Administration's desire not to be bound by the provisions of the Salt II nuclear arms control safety ment. But after seven work he tell European command has said of the able to explain what speaking alliance's conserve was speaking Concret lowerds the end of a big near Cale towards and Dutch surphibious forces.

GENERAL Bernard Rogers, Nato's Supreme Commander in Europe, said last week that he had never

known as much antipathy within

the Atlantic alliance as had been

Asked whether he anticipated a partial withdrawal of US troops from Europe, he said he did not expect them to remain in their present strength for ever. The danger, he said, was that the withdrawal might take place overnight, prompted by a congressional amendment, which would merely help the Soviet Union in its longterm policy of using military strength to blackmail West Euro-

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#### Bad mood in Nato

By Device the need to control in Depmark and West Germany which have recently argued the case for a "defensive defence" that would not involve aggressive counter-attacks and deep strikes behind enemy lines.

Without naming the two countries, he said it was "stupid and naive" to imagine that the Warsaw Pact countries could be deterred by assuring them they would never be attacked on their own territory.

A Royal Navy amphibious force led by the assault ship Intrepid and supported by chartered ferries and naval logistics ships has taken part in Exercise Northern Wedding, putting British and Dutch marinos ashore in the Norwegian flords near Oslo to practice their reinforcement role on Natos

Top laser scientist quits

weapons research, to become asso- to little but requiems by Brahms,

professor at the Massa- Verdi and Mozart after they broke

#### Kogers praised the ma-contribution, and said he will the British Government would maintain amphibious torces by replacing the assault ships Fearless and Intrepid, or at least refurbishing them.

The present Defence Secretary, Mr George Younger, has indicated amphibious capability, but he has not yet announced what package of ships he proposes for this purpose

The Nato Supreme Commander also used his Norwegian press conference to explain how he would like the alliance to handle the contentious issue of a Euro-pean anti-ballistic missile defence system as an adjunct to the American Star Wars programme.

would soon be deployed forward with more accurate conventional as well as nuclear warheads. But he said it was pointless for the United States to try to impose such a system on its European allies.

## Schmidt warns of SDI peril

By Victoria Pope In Bonn

THE former West German system to protect us from nuclear Chancellor, Mr Helmut Schmidt, in a farewell speech to Parliament last week, warned that President Reagan's Strategic Defence Initiative would dangerously escalate

the arms race. Mr Schmidt said that the development and deployment of antimissile weapons in space would compel the Soviet Union to counter with their own SDI. "Here a new He said he believed Europe arms race is waiting to get its needed its own system to counter starting signal," he said. "But only shorter-range Soviet missiles like a dreamer can believe you can the SS21, 22 and 23, all of which arms race the Soviet Union to

Mr Schmidt also said that SDI would do nothing to protect Europe from their most immediate nuclear threat, the Soviet Union. "Technically there will be no defence

is treated that way." Mr Schmidt criticised pressure from the top echelon of the Reagan Administration for West Germany to act as a "locomotive" to stimulate the world economy. He said that the US was failing to face the real villain - its budget deficit which he called a danger to world

> Mr Schmidt has announced that he will retire after the national election in January. His political fortunes turned decisively in 1982 when the liberal Free Democrats ended a 13-year coalition with the Social Democratic Party (SPD) to ally with the conservative Christian Democrats following devisive fighting within the SPD over the deployment of new US missiles in West Germany, which the former

#### By Mark Tran in Washington

THE Star Wars scientific fraternity has lost one of its brightest sparks. Mr Peter Hagelstein, "a moody brooding genius" and inventor of the X-ray laser, has walked out of the programme.

Mr Hagelstein and 32 gave us will find had denoused him and will certainly sharpen already deep splits within the scientific nuclear design. His triumph had come at a price, however.

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entists believe the programmes to be "intrinsically foolish," said one Mr Hagelstein, aged 32, gave no girlfriend had denounced him and public explanation for his resignation whole profession of weapons physicist, Mr Hugh de Witt, "the tion from the Lawrence Livermore
National Laboratory, California,
the norve centre of American space

ting whose profession of weapons
design. Peter, not just a technologist but also a pianist and devotee
of French literature, had listened lab is benefiting right now and will continue to benefit, and everybody's rather happy with marvellous new work."

In Mr Hagelstein's case, he went ciate professor at the manager up."

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Mr Hagelstein's departure from Mr Hagelstein's departure from the management of the management o Livermore wanting to develop X-ray laser for medical purposes but got his arm "twisted" into working on weapons research.

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RECENTLY, the People's Mujahi-deen, the Iranian opposition movement, broadcast accusations that, in their current built up to the "final" offensive of the Gulf War, the Khomeini regime has conscripted 30,000 teachers, causing such chaos in the school system that, in some parts of the country, classes have been reduced to five hours a week. They broadcast it from their new Iraqi headquarters.

The Baghdad media eagerly take up such charges, calculated to expose the repression, terror and coercion to which the "filthy Persian despots" are reduced in order to sustain their "mad aggressive war". And only three weeks ago, the Iraqis learned, from a rare nterview in which he talked about interview in which he talked about himself to the newspaper Athaurah, that President Saddam Hussein has resolutely forbidden anyone under the age of 18 from volunteering to go to the front. He wanted it to be known that "the only two Iragis I have sent to the front under that age are my sons Kosai and Odai". His conscience would not permit otherwise.

There is certainly a great deal of moral pressure, and probably coercion, brought to bear on Iranians to "volunteer," but there is also a great deal of genuine fervour. There is no reticence on the part of the authorities to dramatise the sheer scale of the mobilisation, and few inhibitions about their anxious families with authentic, spontaneous media coverage when the "volunteers" go into action. Iranian television literally goes into battle with the infantry, incurs its own extraordinarily high number of martyrs - and produces some of the most vivid war footage ever recorded.

The recent despatch of such crews to the front is but one more sign persuading Pentagon analysts that the biggest offensive of the six-year-old struggle is at hand. They have spotted them on their satellite screens.

The complete opposite is true of Iraq, and the contrast explains, perhaps more clearly than any-thing else, why, after its initial thrust into Iranian territory. Saddam's army, for all its vast superiority in weaponry, has suffered a slow, remorseless erosion of its whole position: why it was driven out, blow by incluctable blow, first from Iranian soil, then in the face of Iran's offensive, from some of its own territory. It is also why, two weeks ago, it was dislodged from some strategic heights in the Kurdish far north and from a key radar platform in the Gulf. And it explains why, when the massed ranks of army, revolutionary guards and irregulars hurl themselves against one of the most expensive, elaborate and sophisti-cated defences ever constructed line on line of fortifications, dykes, minefields, inflammable barriers and electrified trenches — they may this time, achieve that criti-cal breakthrough that will bring Iraq to its kness. Pentagon analysts, who have always tended to underestimate Iran's will and ingenuity in the face of daunting obstacles, no longer discount it. What all Ironis must be think- it. But lack of

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Iraq's attack on Sirri Aug. 13

showed it could threaten al points in the Persian Gulf. The Iraqi jets probably were refueled in flight.

Iran in mid-August attacked oil tankers on the Arab side of

insurance rates are climbing and the oil flow is threatened.

the Gulf near Dubal.

Sirrio

is at least symbolically present in a straint that is unnecessary for the abould know: of his eight con-a camp at Takrit. "The last time I rest of the population. Thus his scripted brothers, four have been saw Odai," said the visitor to Iraq, three half-brothers, Barzan, killed. up my wife when she expressed her astonishment that he was carrying his own racket."

Iraq already has an estimated

one million men under arms, and, fighting a defensive war on its own territory, it would have no man-power problem if their morale were no more than reasonable. But everything suggests that it has reached its lowest ever. The turning point was the army's inability to drive the Iranians out of the Faw peninsula — something which Saddam had commanded it to do "at all costs" - followed by the flasco of Mehran. In a classic case of short-term political expediency prevailing over military common sense, Saddam ordered the army to reoccupy this Iranian border town as a bargaining counter for Faw.
When it did so — Mehran being scarcely defended — he held victory celebrations in Baghdad. In-

weeks later: reports say the Iraqis surrendered with hardly a fight. The discontent reaches into the circles of ing about, upon hearing of that heinous conscription of 30,000 fraql youth will not be destrained teachers, is their own patched to the front in a desperate Saddam is its prime object. A constant flow of reports from the Arab world's most foreclous dictatorship circulates among the Iraqi diaspora — it now numbers up to 800,000 in Iran, the Arab world and Europe - and there are at

> up the Tigris from Baghdad, comprivilege. They are the nobility of Baathism. Among these, Haza'a is

Baghdad has been demolished— this being a standard punishment, copied from the Israelis, that Saddam reserves for "traitors" and reports say that his mansion at Al-Ojja, near Takrit, where top Banthists have country palaces, has been bulldozed into the Tigris.
Haza's, one of his sons, and a sonin-law have disappeared.
This is the moderate version of

tranian ground forces took Favi in February and still hold it. Now tran threatens a "final offensive" with Basra considered a likely target.

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what happened to Haza'a. The extreme one, which given Saddam's record, is nonetheless, barely less credible, is hair-rais-ing. "Now," said a veteran ing. "Now," said a vestiliant in Saddam-watcher, "the Takritis know that they are not immune to his rages."

One institution in which Saddam goes to extreme lengths to guard against defeatism is the army. I tis three years since the formation of the notorious execution brigade, generally stationed just behind the front line, which summarily despatches "backslid-ers" — those who exhibit lack of enthusiasm for the war - and "cowards" -- those who run away, or simply retreat under over-

wholming enemy pressure.
Since the relative stabilisation of the fronts, it has become very difficult for Iraqi soldiers to cross the lines the way they used to, but estimates put the number of de-serters hiding in Iraq itself at up to

35,000. It all adds up, Iraqi exiles believe, to a powder keg which the next Iranian offensive might ignite. "In a curious way," said a refugee recently arrived in Beirut, "our people are looking forward to the Iranian offensive. It could

bring their agony to an end.
"We don't want Khomeini" — it is an educated Shi'ite speaking but we can't take any more of Saddam. Where they can, our soldiers are making surrender Takritis do of course fall from pacts. The government knows it. It favour, and a few have been even tries to stop them wearing murdered, but, on the whole, white underwear. But the appara-Saddam treats them with a re- tus of terror is breaking down." He

"he was going to play tennis with a Sib'awl and Wathban, who were up my wife when she expressed her should be seen to the secret police, are still alive, Gulf situation. The official Iraqi confined to their palaces in Takrit: view of itself - secure against all they command a continued influ- that Iran can throw at it ence that Saddam cannot but permeated through much of the Arab world: in the Gulf and Jordan, Haza'a, a heavy drinker, took to Iraqi defeats are portrayed more cursing Saddam, the war, and the like victories. The unreality is hatred and peril into which it has sustained in spite, or no doubt brought the Takritis. Upon hear- because, of the realisation that if ing of this Saddam went to Takrit, Saddam cannot withstand the summoned the clans, and told Iranian onslaught, the consethem: I have given you all you quences are liable to be perhaps have and this is my reward? An eyewitness reports that the Haza'a die East since the creation of the residence in an exclusive district of state of Israel.

## Iran prepares for the final push

By David Hirst in Beirut university students - all 250,000 of them - who have been similar- bid to stem an Iranian breakly conscripted, and about the omithrough.

As for Saddam's two sons. Kosai

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step which their Government does not announce, let alone dramatise as Iran would surely have done, but surreptitiously contrives.

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"After the end of year exams." said a recent visitor to Iraq, "the authorities told the students that they would not get their results until they had done a course of military training. They were all packed off to five camps around the country. Now they have learned that the universities will only reopen on February 16, 1987." All their teachers up to the age of 45 have gone with them.

"You hear almost nothing official about this — only vague references to students taking up arms to defend the country, and occasional interviews with a teacher at one of the camps declaring, enthusiastically, that this was a unique experience in Iraq and the entire Third World — rubbish like that. You have to lie to survive in Iraq: I did it myself before I left." The standard of training impro-

vised on such a vast scale is apparently as low as one might expect, and last year's graduates from the military academy are reportedly responsible for much of evitably, Iran recaptured it six least two different versions of just

what happened to Omar Haza'a.

People who, like Saddam, hail from the provincial town of Takrit, mand special access to power and or was — a prince of the blood, being a member of the select Beijat clan and honoured for the role he played, as the commander of the Baghdad district, in the Baathist seizure of power in 1968.

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CALIFORNIA, America's richest, most populous and economically refuse to grasp its virtues.
"I could live in California," a

fortable with his work.

distinguished Washington journal-ist told us before the family embarked on a month's sojourn in Montecito (bang next door to Santa Barbara) "for a month." When we returned to the nation's capital singing California's praises, from ts almost ideal climate to the blue Pacific and spectacular landscapes, a historian friend barked back "give me New York anytime" with amazing ferocity. No comparison had been asked for.

Such sharp responses, however, fail to recognise the economic, intellectual, social, political and even cultural realities of what the West Coast has become. It has managed to assume these leaderburdens without weighing down with the East coast buttoned down, protestant work

except when they are on the

freeways.
The Californian achievement is routinely dismissed on the East Coast Relaxing in the Jacuzzi with a bottle of Santa Ynez Valley Gamay is seen as a wacky way to behave: even though it is wonderfully relaxing. As a result, Californians are regularly dismissed as "air heads" immersed in a hedonistic-materialistic life style whose only interest in literature is the chance to read about macrobiotic

cooking. Like most stereotypes this one badly misses the mark. California has become the testing ground for new ideas and demographics and it tance: which California now exeris the loss of hagemony which class in the US's social and poliseems to rankle on the East Coast.

Sitting, as it does, at the edge of the Pacific rim, California is the Pacific rim, California is nomic sanctions against South uniquely connected to the fastest Africa and President Reagan chops strong hostility among East Coast intellectuals who steadfastly world. The until recently robust legislature in Sacramento — with US dollar and voracious American appetite for capital to finance the budget deficits) have made the West Coast both a highly attractive market for the Japanese, Taiwanese, South Koreans et al. and an obvious base to set up their manufacturing and distribution.

The economic pull from the Pacific rim is starting to have its impact on Californian politics. Mayor Tom Bradley of Los Angeles, who is seeking (a second time) to become the nation's first black

By Alex Brummer

ethic.

Californians somehow instinctively know when to take off their les and corsets and unwind — region has led to a source. ties and corsets and unwind - region has led to a search for greater political clout to match their economic enterprise. This the blacks fear will come at their

The Los Angeles dispute over representation is precursor of similar battles which are likely to be fought over the country, particularly in the sunbelt, as new waves of Central American and Asian immigrants take up residence. The melting pot (like so much else) has moved from New York and Boston to Los Angeles and Houston.

The demographic changes stemming from sharing land and sea borders with an emergent Third World illustrate the pivotal impor-

While Washington debates ecolegislature in Sacramento - with a state where by reputation the hot

tubs melt the brain cells. This is not to suggest by any means that California has a monopoly on moral fibre, particularly when the problems are closer to home. During our stay, the Santa Barbara city council, which has done a remarkable job in matching adobe and red-tiled roof architecture to its hilly seascape, creating a Mediterranean effect, paid dear-

ly for a little overzealousness. In the same way as it refuses to governor since Reconstruction, is despoil its waterfront with the currently in the uncomfortable debris of high rise condominiums position of having to adjudicate and the garish signs which have between blacks and Asians on the turned so much of Florida into an

under the shade of the palms, are a wonderful place to bed down — much to the delight of the homeless who have few shelters to

retreat to in the city.

The council, in its wisdom, decided to ban sleeping out. After all, if city ordinances can keep the condominiums away they can certainly handle a few beach bums. They counted without, however, heir most illustrious resident. Ronald Reagan. He both helped create the homeless problem, then

måde it worse. The Reagan years have seen a surge in homelessness directly traceable to the administration's effort to slash the role of the federal government in everything

through the simple act of having a ranch near Sunta Barbara.

By word association, homeless Reagan, and Santa Barbara have all come to mean the same. So whon the city council met in August to repeal its outdoor sleeping ordinance it did so under the glare of international publicity. I the cameras had only hung arous a few more hours, when the

chambers were as empty as usual, they would have discovered that while the outdoor sleeping order was repealed it largely confined the homoloss to under the free ways and outlawed garbage can rummaging for food. If you can't throw them out, starve them out. This is the sort of thing which might have attracted the Presi-

dent's attention, given his tenden-cy to reach out and phone someone when he sees a wrong which needs righting. After all, while we were in California, he took time out from his brush clearing to ring an old girlfriend in Carmel, syrupy Doris Day, to assure be that Lucky — a presidential poch evicted from the White House for misbehaving — was the ranch.

Miss Day, who has become an animal freak, has been near mental breakdown ever since Mr Reagan moved Lucky from the White House and threatened to turn him on Colonel Gadafy Larry Speakes assured us that no such call to the city council, on behalf of the homoless (they are only people, anyway) interrupted the breakfast of blueberry muffins and the oak

cutting ceremonies.

Meanderings, such as these, may lead some people to believe that California does, after all, turn the brain to jelly. But after a week in the damp of Harvard Yard anyons would be constant. would be yearning for the paim trees and even the homeless (at least they are warm) again.

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This conclusion does not necessarily imply criticism of Dr Owen. It merely wiedges the extend to which he dominates his own party and, less certainly, the Alliance. He did not speak in Sunday's debate but he was nevertheless the focus of it. It is because Dr Owen has decided that this is his issue and that his party and his allies must accommodate themselves to his fertile judgements about defence that this debate was taking place at all. The SDP leader believes that the Conservatives will try to blow Labour out of the water on defence during the next election campaign. He thinks they will succeed, like they did in Alliance's opportunity to make massive affectively up to now. But a lot now rests on advances, exploiting Labour's discredit and the Tories' unpopularity. But it will only work if the Alliance has bolted its line as manager to make the running pretty affectively up to now. But a lot now rests on the mood of the Liberals. Depending on the reaction at Eastbourne, the SDP may regret compared with 36 per cent this time last not having spelled out more clearly the 1983. This time, he argues, will be the

## Britain's defence and the next election

owen's repeated pressure on his more circumspect colleagues. Hence his recent trip to France and Brussels with Mr David imits beyond which it refuses to go.

But there is a wider doubt. The latest CND/Gallup poll identifies it very clearly.

Over the years, unilateralism has been a circumspect colleagues. Hence his recent trip to France and Brussels with Mr David Steel, designed to show Alliance voters that there is an Anglo-French future and that it works. Hence, even at the eleventh hour, remarks in Harrogate on Saturday

about Trident replacement.

Now Dr Owen has his victory, formidably won. But it has been won at a price. Clever conference management by the SDP leadership minimised the opportunities for divi-sive votes. But the upshot was that the SDP adopted motions which are, on the face of it, contradictory in the emphasis which they attach to the joint Alliance commission document rather than to the SDP's own more hawkish 1985 conference policy. And, by what looked like a 5:1 majority, they threw out an olive branch amendment from Glasgow North emphasising those policies most likely to attract the Liberals. It may in the end be no bad thing that the conference has entrusted its leader with so much freedom to interpret party policy. Dr Owen has managed to make the running pretty effectively up to now. But a lot now rests on the mood of the Liberals. Depending on the

minority conviction, supported by about a quarter of the population. The CND poll, though, shows unliateralist support at 44 per cent, against 46 per cent opposed and 10 per cent don't knows. That's a big shift. It could be important and it reads to be could be important and it needs to be understood. Combine it with a 3:1 majority opposing the European bomb option and you must begin to wonder whether Dr Owen may have got it wrong. Public opinion may not be as irredeemably committed to a British finger on the trigger as Dr Owen assumes. Retention of Polaris may not be such a copper-bottomed vote winner, after all. A party leader who appears wedded to maintaining the independent nuclear deter-rent under all foresecable circumstances may not be as popular a party leader as he supposes. Dr Owen has won admiration for his determination to face facts in a realistic and undogmatic way, especially over defence. The Gallup poll is a fact, too, and the Alliance would do well to face it.

last year it looked well placed to consolidate at that level for some time. But that hasn't happened. The Alliance has sunk back gradually but consistently over the intervening months so that, at least for the present, the country has a two and two thirds party political contest once again, not the three party race of autumn 1985. That could change, of course; the bedrock of support remains over 20 per cent and there was more hopeful news for the delegates in local and parliamentary by-elections. But the SDP activists cannot assume it will

change by magic.
The key to the Alliance's current showing is the relative recovery of the Labour Party. In 1981, the year it was founded, the SDP saw itself as the natural alternative to a Labour Party that had lost the will and the right to govern. But Mr Neil Kinnock has pulled his party a long way round since then. For the moment he dominates both his party and the trades unions. Many of the voters who abandoned Labour in 1983 for the Alliance have returned to their earlier loyalty. Meanwhile, the Alliance has become increasingly an alternative not to Labour but to the Conservatives. It is Mrs Thatcher, not Mr Kinnock, whose dogmatism offers the Alliance its best chance of electoral auccess. Several of the Social Democrats who left Labour in 1981 are uneasily aware that they may have bought the wrong ticket after all. As long as Mr Kinnock keeps it up - and his big test on defence has yet to come — it is going to be difficult for the SDP and the Alliance to think buoyantly in terms of government.

#### The price of oil

Continued from page 1 allowed to reflect the true extent of the recent fall in oil prices. It is a rigged market. And quite properly so, because questions of long-term security are involved your desired stockpiling the oil it gets by way of a royalty, enabling exports to be cut by 10 per volved. You don't cut your coal industry in half just because oil prices have fallen extend its own — so far successful —

temporarily by that amount.
Why should not similar considerations of national security also obtain abroad? Britain is the only major industrialised economy which is self-sufficient not just in oil but in energy generally. It is not at all clear that the cheap oil policy which the Government has embraced with such enthusiasm is in our best long-term interests. It certainly hasn't, at least not yet, brought the much vaunted revival of world economic activity. The present policy of acquiescing in low of prices and at the same time maximising production makes the coal industry much less competitive in the short run (thereby increasing subsidies), diminishes government oil revenues, and will inevitably run down our finite reserves in the North Sea much quicker than otherwise. This will hasten the day when Britain's oil runs out, leaving us that much more dependent on the Middle East, which is unlikely (as the worsening turn of the Iran/Iraq war testifies almost daily) to be as stable or as friendly as it is now. We haven't reached a plateau of stretching stability; we are merely poised

uneasily on a narrow ledge.

The penny dropped in America when oil prices threatened recently to go below \$10 a barrel (compared with \$14.60 last week) at which level a wave of bankruptcies would have swept the oil-producing states of the US and oil exploration would have ground to a halt in most of the non-Opec world. This would have ensured the cartel's dominance for years to come. That was part of what the (earlier) Opec price cuts were all about. Norway has now put a cat among the

tion (which is mainly in the hands of the international oil companies) but it has extend its own — so far successful — agreement to restrain production. That agreement is due to expire at the end of October. But Norway's gesture is for November and December. The success of restraint would have made it highly likely that Opec (subject to its own convoluted politics) would extend the experiment anyway. But the fact that at long last one European country has finally responded to its pleas for matching restraint makes it even more likely. If Opec leaves Norway stranded now it can hardly expect a favourable response in future. The move and what flows from it is

deeply significant. Where does this leave Britain? No-one is suggesting that Mr Nigel Lawson fills out an application form to join Opec. But the Chancellor should ask himself whether Britain's interests as an energy conglomerate are best served by low oil prices (or a totally agnostic stance towards them). The alternative is to stabilise prices (somewhere between, say, \$15 and \$20 a barrel) at a between, say, \$15 and \$20 a barrel) at a level which encourages exploration in non-Opec countries, gives indebted oil producers revenue to pay their debts and the rest of the world stability instead of prices which fluctuate unpredictably between \$10 and \$30 a barrel. It is a sobering thought that if Saudi Arabia pursued Mr Lawson's policy (of maximising production) then such is its formidable aurplus capacity that prices would fall so far below \$10 a barrel as to wipe out the North Sea as a viable proposition. There is more, much more, to proposition. There is more, much more, to energy policy than pile it high and sell it cheap and if we don't heed the signals now, we shall surely repent at leisure.

## Miss Bhutto's brick wall

WHEN Miss Benazir Bhutto flew back from exile to Pakistan, a heady few days after the democratic thriller in Manila, anything seemed possible. A million people turned out spontaneously and joyously to welcome her to Lahore. She demanded elections. Surely, it seemed, she would overwhelmingly win those elections. But then reality seeped back. General Zia-ul-Haq, over nine amazingly adroit years, had proved a nonparell political operator in military uniform. His skills had not deserted him. He didn't panic publicly. He merely absorbed the Bhutto demonstration and let any elections plod into the mists of the nineteen-nineties. The next move was left to Miss Bhutto. She organised a nationwide day of action and dissent. It was ruthlessly suppressed. She, and the opposition leaders who matter, were locked away. The big day

Last week the prison doors swung open. Miss Bhutto is free again and so, interestingly, are her key supporters. A mini-summit of Pakistan opposition leaders discussed — pretty inconclusively — the next steps on a road to nowhere very certain. Miss Bhutto has set a deadline of this weekend for Zia to grant instant democracy or face renewed trouble in the streets. But, since he coped so easily with the last trouble on the streets, it is difficult to see him trembling. The Aquino parallel has virtually vanished. Miss Bhutto knows that she is the leader Pakistan would choose if a choice was on offer. But the present leader of Pakistan is offering nothing, and the fissiparous political legions behind Miss Bhutto are clearly in no mood for the kind of bloody uprising that might change his mind. So what does Benazir do next?

She has two paths open, and neither is very attractive. One is to plough on regardless. Foment rebellion. Organise strikes and marches. Hope that a belated

groundswell of rugged activism will shake Zia and bring dismay amongst the Punjabi army officers who are the props of his power. In short, try the tactics which brought low her father, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, and gave Zia his own opportunity. But there is one terrible snag to such a strategy — quite apart from the manifest lack of enough determined street fighters. The democrats - in Pakistan history - only go their chance when the army is so discredit ed that it voluntarily passes the buck of governance. Zia has not reached that pass yet. And, even if he had, there seem plenty of alternative generals who would step in to depose him, take the reins, promise elec-tions at a later date, and merely leave Miss Bhutto with another dictator to deal with.

The other route may appeal even less to a leader of Benazir Bhutto's fiery, impalient temperament. It is simply to pause and retreat to the high moral ground. Zia has promised a proper poll in three years or so. Miss Bhutto is the only political leader who matter nationally. Very well. She is 33; she

Rationally, on all the evidence of a long hot Pakistan summer, a retreat to the high ground is the only policy that makes sense. But it will not be easy, especially for Miss Bhutto. Yet how else is Pakistan to contrive its next fling with democracy? Somer or later the endless alternations of military dictatorahip and civilian rule will have to come to an end. They don't fit, any longer, with the growing economic maturity of the country, and with all the opportunities for prosperity that atability would bring But the ultimate test for Pakistan is not simply to call an election which allows Miss Bhutto a few years in the sun. It is to ensure t permanent transition of power which allows other politicians to follow Miss Bhutto. And that, it seems, will not be won on the she

#### UK moves to curb acid rain

A £600 million scheme to reduce the emission of sulphur from three megawatt unit, Drax B, in York-shire. Those likely to follow are of Britain's largest coal-burning power stations was announced in London last week as the Prime Minister left on a visit to Norway. Norway has repeatedly protested to Britain at the amount of acid rain which falls as a result of ollution from British power stations and Mrs Thatcher obviously

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hoped that the gesture would help provide a favourable atmosphere for her two-day visit.

The first of the three power stations to be fitted with flue gas desulphurisation plants on a pro-gramme from 1988 to 1997 is

likely to be the newest 2,000 endorsed by the "30 Per Cent will be taken in by it, especially Both she and M

Jonathan Steele Fiddlers' Ferry, in Cheshire, and Burton West, in Staffordshire. The Club" of European states for a cut scheme involves building a small by that amount over the next chemical plant next to each power station. Coupled with plans to fit emissions as they stood in 1980. filters to all new power stations, the programme aims to reduce Britain's sulphur emissions by 14

The announcement was attacked by Labour, and arrightenestal.

by Labour and environmental per cent by 1997. by Labour and environmental A final decision to clean up these groups as "too little too late", and three coal-fired stations still no more than an admission of guilt awaits the results of studies by the Royal Society and the Norwegian and Swedish Academies of Science which are due next spring.

emissions. That is the only way we can protect our own environment and that of the Scandinavians."

Mrs Gro Harlem Brundtland. Norway's socialist Prima Minister, welcomed with reservations Britain's announcement of new con-trols of sulphur dioxide emissions. She also said Norway's decision to

Both she and Mrs Thatcher, at cies.

"The Government ought to take appear conciliatory after two days abold step towards the ban by supporting the draft EEC directive of a 60 per cent reduction in acidic an evening of violent demonstrations on Thursday.
Mrs Brundtland said that sh

had apologised to her guests for the disruption caused by the clashes between police and demonstrators on Thursday night which delayed the official banquet. night wasn't pleasant for me as a hostess," she said. But, she went cut oil exports later this year would help Britain by stabilising prices, and ought not to be seen as a negative move.

Both she and Mrs Thatsher at the same issues as many Norwell glans — Mrs Thatcher's South African and environmental political states and the same issues as many south glans — Mrs Thatcher's South glans — Mrs Thatche

# Le Monde

#### A ridiculous sideshow with France under terrorist threat

"TERRORISM is a veritable act of war," said Prime Minister Chirac after the botched operation against addressing the Institut des Hautes the Rainbow Warrior in New Etudes de Défense on Friday. Four Zealand, the DGSE (Direction years éarlier, another Prime Min-Générale de la Sécurité) is still ister —Pierre Mauroy — also licking its wounds, and it deserves compared this challenge to the better than this unseemly row. world as "a crime having the resources of war" and concluded that the anti-terrorist struggle was ows because of the responsibilities "part and parcel of defence"

Such doctrinal continuity between right and left in France on so grave a matter can only be commended. Compared with this consensus in defining the danger, there is something stupid, con-temptible and obscene about two to take centre stage and put on Alexandre de Marenches and Pierre Marion — accusing each other in public of having done practically nothing to counter terrorism, at a time when French itizens are paying a heavy price

such attacks, as well as their beneficiaries, are likely to judge the efficiency of French secret information to the adversary, show quickly become uncontrollable. services by the gauge offered by concern for respecting their obliga-

Why do men accustomed secrecy and working in the shadthey exercised in the past suddenly

#### COMMENT

airs as soon as they quit their jobs? Who stands to gain from their urge, long held in check, to indulge days when they ran their services, they insisted on discretion from their subordinates. Why then should not these men, who know from experience that what counter-espionage demands above all is secrecy so as to dony

tion to remain silent? If they want to bear witness to history, let them first refrain from departing from their professional code of conduct, all the more so as at this particular juncture the secret services' task is neither as simple nor as straightforward as some, including people in government would have us believe. With an executive answerable to

the nation and apparently waiting for positive, even quick, results in the anti-terrorist struggle so as to reassure the public, the remedy does not lie within secret services like the DGSE, to say nothing of the army. Military action, pro-vided a government accepts full responsibility for it before the world community, can produce temporary, ad-hoc results, but it does not defuse a highly explosive with many other political and ideological ramifications. "Terrorism is the union of fire

and water," says a DGSE official. That is, two natural elements which when they break loose can

#### Chirac enforces border checks

Shortly after terrorists struck ye again in the French capital, Prime Minister Jacques Chirac announced a package of antiterrorist measures that will go into operation immediately. The package includes mandatory entry visas for visitors to France from all countries other than the EEC states and Switzercrossings and other border areas with the deployment of 1,000 army commandos, the generalisation of systematic search operations in public places, and intensified checks

on the movements of people. Chirac spoke against the Chirac spoke again background of three bomb at-tacks in the capital and news that six more French soldiers serving with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (Unifil) had fallen victim to a terrorist mine in southern Lebanon. He had particularly harsh words for the Finnish commander of the Unifil force: "I telephoned the general commanding the French contingent today and learned to my utter amazement and diagust

leave and would be absent until October 2." He described the attitude as reprehensibly frivolous considering the gravity of the situation. Three of the sol-diers whose vehicle blew up on a land mine were badly injured and one of them is reported to

Another terrorist attack in Paris took place at 5.30 pm on Sunday, September 14, at the Pub Rensult on the crowded Champs-Elysées. A walter spotted a suspicioustable and reported it to the manager, who called in the police. When the parcel was being moved It blew up, severely injuring the two policemen and another person. One of the policemen, a young man aged 24, later died of hia wounds.

The bomb is said to have been roughly of the same size - 2.5 dies -- as the device that went off in a crowded cafetaria in the Defense district, on the western outskirts of Paris, shortly after midday on Friday, injuring 41 people, two of them quite seriously. Twelve persons — all of Middle Eastern origin — have been arrested and are awaiting

in a further development, a large bomb was reported to have gone off at a police headquarters at lunchtime on Monday, injuring at least 50 people.

Meanwhile, a public controversy has broken out in France following charges and countercharges and disclosures made by two former French secret

## Aquino's Defence Minister plays a waiting game

Defense Minister Eurile

regional power that Ferdinand Marcos forged in the north of

MANILA - "I don't know why, each time I open my mouth, I cause flurries. Yet this government claims to be pluralist." Off-hand and ironical, affable and cajoling by turns, Filipino Defence Minister Juan Ponce Engile refuses to give interviews "before next week's visit to the United States by the President." But this does not prevent him from speaking up, in private, over a drink, or at the end of a lunch which unexpectedly turns into a press conference.

called by Filipinos, is 62. A former Harvard graduate, Enrile was for 20 years a pillar of the Marcos regime (in particular he occupied the same post that he holds now) and in the course of this summer he has emerged as one of the key figures on the Filipino political scene: "Stop: the minister of defence is not a political organisation, and doesn't indulge in politics. But I'm asked to do the

President Corazon Aquino left on Monday, September 15, for a weeklong visit to the United States amid a flurry of rumours suggesting threats to her govern-ment. One of her strongest critics is apparently her own defence minister, Juan Ponce Enrile. In an Interview given to the Catholic magazine Veritae, two of his senior aides, Security Chief Colonel Gregorio Honasan, and Head of Defence Intelligence Colonel

not abandoned their armed strug-

appointed by Cory Aquino to nego-tiate with the Communists, rails in public about the "hysterical reactions" to the Communist Party's demands which are are likely to cause the negotiations to col-

Eduardo Kapunan, criticised Cory Aquino's handling of the Communist problem. Although dismissing sugges-tions that there might be a coup during her absence, the President did say: "I hope to God that I should be allowed to return to the country with the blessings of our ally, the United States of America, and the Filipino people, especially those in the military . . . "

Meanwhile, without mentioning Enrile directly, Agriculture Minis-ter Mitra, one of the two men

Enrile scarcely seems to worry about the reactions that his state ments are causing among radical or merely liberal cabinet members. He knows that Washington, wor-ried about a possible easing of the military crackdown on the insurimpossible: who can prove he has rection, is with him on the Com-no ambitions?" In particular, he munist issue and that a good many was credited with planning to succeed Marcos and there is no indication that he has abandoned the idea of running for President.

True, the skilfully structured comments that Enrile makes week after week lake like allows a succeed to the problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino by putting the on her guard. I'm not against a structured comments that Enrile makes week after week lake like allows to the problem is one of national security, and it is the party do not believe in these negotiations. "The problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino by putting the problem is one of national security, and it is the party do not believe in these negotiations. "The problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino the problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino the problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino the problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino the problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino the problem is one of national security," says Enrile. "Tell me if I'm being disloyal to Mrs Aquino the problem is one of national security." comments that Enrile makes week her on her guard. I'm not against a Luzon (the "loyalists" have abanafter week look like direct criticassefire, But I think it's necessary

cism of what the Aquino government is doing. So much so, that recently Minister of Local Administrations Pimental for the first time gave his cabinet colleague a warning: "If he doesn't agree with the President's policy towards the Communists; let him resign."

To which Enrile, who has less faith in a negotiated solution (to the communist insurrection) than in military action, replies blandly:

"All right, I agree my approach to be cautious and not help a longtone to be cautious and not help a longtone term strategy of the Communists in the Communists to fight on several fronts—legal and armed."

Emrile doubtless has only a handful of officers behind him, but most of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the presidential garb fits like a glove"). Behind the scenes he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of them have relied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of the like a glove"). Behind to Enrile, their new "allied to Enrile, their new "hero" on whom "the president all parb he is also manipulating a resurment of the like a glove" "All right, I agree my approach to the Communist problem is different from that of other government members. You see, the Communists represent a real danger. They are now openly on the political scene, they speak freely but have

for the disappearances of people and the torture inflicted on political prisoners. So today he seeks to

be everybody's friend. He displayed his role as a conciliator particularly during the abortive Tolentino putsch in Ma-nila early in July. With the President and the Vice-President away in Mindanao, he handled the matter smoothly, appearing re-laxed as he went on television to reassure the public, then negotiating with the rebel generals, and in particular obtaining from Cory Aquino an undertaking that no punishments would be handed out, which has only strengthened his standing with the army. "Imagine if leftwing radicals had taken Manila Hotel," remarked a trade unlonist bitterly. "They'd be in

The Manila Hotel incident also has another dimension which demonstrates Enrile's power. According to a member of the presidential commission investigating the inci-

Enrile was kept informed by military intelligence of what was cooking. The charitable view is that Enrile let the conspiracy go their hand and he would be ready to act. A less charitable view, as the commission member who spoke to me pointed out, is that he waited to see how things would turn out.

If the Telentine uprising and the generals involved in it had rallied the masses, he would still have had time to clamber on the bandwagon. This was all the easier as Tolentist had offered him a place in the provisional government he

intended to set up at the Manils Hotel. In a matter of hours the rebellion turned into a comic opera putsch and Enrile efficiently put

Again on August 21, the anniversary of Ninoy Aquino's death, when Corazon Aquino was held up at the Manila Hotel which, like the rest of the island of Luzon, was plunged in total darkness for everal hours -- it is something that has never been explained - if was Enrile who later went on radio to reassure the people (and the President) that the tanks were still in their barracks and that there

was no cause for alarm. Cory Aquino would doubtless be more comfortable with a less clever and less powerful man in the Defence Ministry, but for the moment it seems highly improbable she could do without Enrile in her army.

(September 11)



COMING as they did after so many others, have not the Karachi and pretty helpless before the terrorist

Raimond: These tragic attacks, including the ones that took place in Karachi and Istanbul, call for the strongest condemnation. The the strongest condemnation. They show once again that the world today must face up to the increasingly worrying increases of a terror ingly worrying increases of a terror ingly worrying increases the season to see not head to ism which does not head to a the fringes of the countries on the fringes of the Middle East and in direct contact with the conflicts racking these with the conflicts turned towards

West. In Karachi, the plane that was attacked was American.

As far as Western democracies are concerned, we know they are even more vulnerable precisely because they respect human rights and value human life, a fact reflected in their institutions, especially judicial institutions, and because they have traditions of openness, hospitality and freedom.

Democracies are not defenceless, however, in the confrontation with terrorism, for cherishing the vel-ues I've just mentioned does not rule out firmness by governments and their people. Concern for freedom does not preclude a policy of security based on vigilance. Concern for hospitality is not at odds with maintaining stricter surveillance at frontiers. Steps have already been taken to strengthen European cooperation against terrorism and this action is expected to be steadily pursued.

Do you think there is a direct connection between the various terrorist actions, successful or not, which have cost (or nearly cost, as in the RER bomb attempt) the lives of French citizens recently both here and in Lebanon, and the new threats made against the French hostages held in Lebanon?

I don't think so at all. I don't think all these things should be generalised. To take the Unifil case, for example, we see it was triggered off on August 11 and 12 know them. A few weeks ago, the by a serious incident, but unavoidable for a peacekeeping force, that took place during a routine check. embassy (in Baghdad) and applied for visas (to enter France). They

The recent wave of totally indiscriminate terrorist attacks has strengthened that there should politicians in many comportination in compositions in terrorism which knows betting this new politicians, particular, has been not construct the politicians of the construction of the constru

nating this north particular, has been put under to frontier particular, has been put under property pressure by this unseen enemy; three punting pressure by this unseen enemy; three punting pressure attached to the United Nations

week; there was an attempt — happily foiled — to cause havoc and carnage in a packed Paris underground train; and a woman was killed and 18 others injured in yet another bomb blast, this time in the post office located in the basement of the Paris City Hall. On Sunday a policeman died in a restaurant bombing. It was against this backdrop of intensified terrorist activity that French Foreign Minister Jean-Bernard Raimond gave the following interview to Le Monde.

## France walks a tightrope over the hostages issue

It set off the chain of events we all know and brought a flurry of charges against Unifil from extremist Shi'ites. It brought about a charge in the situation on the when the universities reports the situation on the street and they answered they would do the situation on the situation of the universities reports. change in the situation on the ground. A part of the local forces demanded that Unifil be with-

drawn or tried to provoke it.

The RER incident is plainly a case of terrorism, but in my opinion there is no direct connection between this terrorism and whatever is happening elsewhere. Jihad's communication (sent to a Lebanese newspaper) is however connected to the hostages

so when the universities reopen, since they are students. They recently confirmed this during a tions, not a horse trade. Out of meeting with our charge d'affaires in Baghdad.

Students, really? There has been a lot of talk that at least one of them was in fact very close to Iraqi authorities and that his job was to infiltrate the opposition (Iraqi op-

Yes, students. You know there

time to time. Unfortunately I can't tell you more at this stage, so as not to complicate matters even

consideration for the families, I

pass on information to them from

Where have financial negotiations with Iran got to? Quite far. We're now within

Jacques Amalric and Bernard Brigouleix talk to the French Foreign Minister

We can wonder whether there is are many countries that have 35-any relation between this communication and the talks we have been conducting for the past five months to obtain the hostages' release. The talks are continuing their university studies, and added they were free to move at will. We normally, although progress i very alow. We're doing everything we can and I don't see a direct link we can and I don't see a direct link lalamic Jihad message, it obvious between the present state of these ly contains threats, but at the conversations and Islamic Jihad's

It contains a number of specific demands that don't concern us directly. In those that concern us, there is the case of the two Iraqis (recently deported from France),

they explained they wanted to back to Paris to continue announced it after having carried out checks. As for the rest of the same time it expresses the hope that headway will be made in the conversations currently under

But didn't the government feel badly let down by the recent and what has been said about it does not tally with the facts as we know them. A few weeks ago, the hostages had raised expectations?

There was a problem in August

sight of a partial agreement, and we're continuing overall negotia-tions. They concern in particular the \$1 billion Iran lent to the French Atomic Energy Commis sion (CEA). There are also French creditors, connected with Eurodif, and companies which suffered as a result of the Iranian revolution. We have made a number of concessions, as is normal in negotiations of this sort. There still remain roblems to be settled, but we're making headway and could even complete the negotiations fairly

When is the next meeting? At the moment I'm waiting for the Iranian government to respond to the representation I made on

Could we still say that there will

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contingent — have become targets, and this is intolerable. Since it's a UN force, however, that is, the world community—to that is, the world community—to accept its responsibilities. I hoped the UN mission would be dispatched quickly to Lebanon as I heard that French soldiers had been killed I asked that the matter be raised at the that the matter be raised at the second of the community.

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be no agreement on the debt issue before the hostages are released? You mustn't put it that way, Here's what I can tell you. First

when we decided to normalis political, economic and cultural relations with Iran, it was a policy as such, it being understood that for everybody, especially the Iraqis, this concern to normalise relations in no way called into question either our policy in the region, in the Arab world in general, or our friendship with Baghdad. On the other hand, it is clear that although the Iranian government is not responsible for holding the hostages, it does have leverage over the kidnappers. Given this, a full normalisation, including an exchange of ambassadors, even a visit to Tehran by me, will not be possible so long as these French citizens are held by their kidnappers.

When you are in the government and are confronted by a tragic situation like this, you can of course ignore this situation and leave the hostages to their fate. You can also - and this is what we're doing — do everything pos-sible to obtain their release. But this doesn't mean that French policy then becomes, as it were, the hostages' hostage. This is indeed what we have explained to those people we are dealing with.

In your negotiations with Iran will you be taking into consideration Tehran's efforts — through the Hezbollahs — to compel ti French contingent in Lebanon, and if possible the entire Unifil force, to get out of Lebanon?

We're taking each question sepa rately. There's the question of normalising relations with Iran. There's the hostage question There's the question of Unifi which has to be examined with the United Nations in particular, while at the same time taking all the elements into consideration including the attitude of the Iranian government with which we're in complete disagreement on the Unifil issue.

That's putting it mildly ... Has Tehran indeed given the Hezbollahs the go-ahead to harass the French contingent? There have cen statements to this effect . . .

Quite. That's why we're going t raise the matter with the Iranian in our next talks. We'll see then just how far they are committed to this line. But it doesn't mean that problem will have reporcussions on the others.

What are you expecting from your representation to the United Nations?

Unifil was set up in 1978 and France decided to take part in it. The situation in southern Lebanon today is intolerable. Unifil desent have the means for fulfilling its mission which, in fact, cased a long time ago to be the one it was given under UN Resolution 452. That mission required Unifi to make sure Israel withdraw to la own territory, to allow the Lebanese government to establish its authority in all of southern Lebanon and to restore peace an security. This was completed 1982 by a mission of humanital ation. But today Unifil is in no position to carry out even such an abbreviated mission, since its soldiers — and not just the French

it's up to the Security Council Security Council I previously checked with the Prime Minister and the President that this was also their view. I also discussed the

## Portrait of a terrorist 'family'

MYSTERY surrounds Georges rian passport issued in the name of Ibrahim Abdallah. This man, who Abdelkader Saadi, electronics enis believed to be leader of the gineer — and thought he could Lebanese Armed Revolutionary escape his pursuers in this way. Lebanese Armed Revolutionary escape his pursuers in this way.

Fractions (FARL) and has been But he was mistaken. The men imprisoned in France since Octo-ber 1984, appears to be the princi-pal stake, if not the only one, in and knew who they were dealing the campaign of terrorist black-mail to which the French govern-ment is currently subjected. Since December 1985, his associates, who investigators say are behind the Comité de Solaridité avec les Two and a half months later, a Prisonniers Politiques Arabes et (Yugoslavia) was arrested by Italdu Proche-Orient (CSSPA) have ian customs near the Trieste-

public places in Paris to force the French government to release him. Why this sustained pressure over 10 months such as France has never experienced before? Everything here seems to be calculated, from an irrational escalation. Men who plant bombs follow their own logic, however twisted. The answers are to be sought in the file refused to say anything, so much so the Italians still have not on Abdallah, in the mass of intelligence gathered by the DST, the French counter-espionage service, concerning the itinerary of a

very special terrorist organisation. Here then is the story of Abdallah and his friends pieced together with the help of hitherto unpublished documents, court nearings and the written indictment of the Lyons prosecutor's office, and secrets revealed by

The story opens with a new and surprising anecdote. It was not the DST who picked up Abdallah in Lyons on October 25, 1984. In fact, he walked into a police station and asked for police protection. Why? Because he noticed he was being shadowed and feared they were Mossad (Israeli secret service) agents out to get him. He had a solid cover — an authentic Alge-en-Provence before arriving in

members of my organisation, the

man coming from Ljubljana been responsible for 11 terrorist Opicins border crossing. He had a attacks (three unsuccessful) in railway ticket for Ljubljana-Rome-

Modena-Paris. Above all he was

carrying 7.6 kilos of a Semex-type

explosive. The man actually tried

to make the Italians believe that

they were in fact oriental cakes by

swallowing one of them. He later

succeeded in discovering his real

identity behind the Moroccan pass-port bearing the name of Abdallah

Italian and French police caught up with Abdallah by shadowing

two other members of the group, Férial Daher and Joséphine Abdo

(Abdo was arrested by the Italian

police after Abdallah on December

18, 1984). The first interrogations

then began in Lyons of the man

whom the DST, on the strength of

information coming from Lebanese

Phalange sources, suspected was FARL's leader. They found they

were dealing with a professional who could not be shaken. Initially,

he clung to his cover that he was

an Algerian tourist who had

With the help of this catch,

el Mansouri.

Lyons to "loaf about the city" and visit cafes and restaurants". The DST investigators let him glimpse they knew more and that this defence just did not hold any water. Abdallah then fell back on his second cover: "I'm an Arab revolutionary of Algerian nationality . . . My job was to get the

levolutionary Movement of Arab

Union (MRUA), out of France . . .

The network's permanent mem-

An investigation by Georges Marion and Edwy Pienel

the organisation realised it wasn't

expedient to hit such objectives

given the present political environ-

The DST then tried to push the

advantage by questioning him on the "similarities" between the

"MRUA's targets" and the FARL's

victims. To no purpose: "The MRUA is not connected at all to the FARL...the basic difference

Israeli and American targets to

discover what they are proparing against us, while FARL strikes at

heir objectives." In other words,

he was claiming to be a political

operative, not a military man. But

this defence was ripped apart by the mass of damning discoveries

the DST amassed in its painstak-

accounts and Paris hideouts.

tor's written indictment,

ing investigation into Swiss bank

These are very precisely

summarised in the Lyons prosecu-

was prepared for Abdallah's hearing in July: "Since 1980 he has been running the FARL, which is

composed primarily of residents of the cities of Kobayat and Andakt

that MRUA is interested in

bers as well as the logistical backup have already been evacuated . . . These people were placed in position to determine and identify Israeli and American targets, but

ly several of his brothers (Maurice, Robert, Joseph and Fakim — the last, who was a naturalised French citizen, died mysteriously in Paris in 1983). His movement appears to have relations with non-Palostinian terrorist groups, especially the Red Brigades and Action Directs." The Lyons magistrates are categorical: "As the inquiry shows, Georges Abdallah is the driving force behind the terrorist group he heads; he picks the targets and looks after the supply of explosives and weapons and finds the safe houses."

It has also been shown that he

travelled around using at least five

different passports (Maltese, two

Moroccan, an Algerian and a South Yemeni) under a variety o

names (Alex, Skandare, Michel

Saad, Georges Haddad, Abbas,

etc..); that between 1981 and 1984

he travelled very frequently be-tween France, Yugoslavia, Cyprus,

Italy, Switzerland and Spain; that

his stays in Paris, in particular.

terrorist attacks: that he frequent

through third parties, severa apartments and self-contained

guns, a CZ 7.65mm machine-pistol, 158 rounds of 7.65mm

ammunition, two walkie-talkies, a

remote-controlled detonating de-

vice, a radio receiver fitted out for

remote control activation, pencils

converted for use as detona-

The experts concluded that the

submachine-gun had been used for the 1982 slayings of Charles Ray, the US military attaché in Paris,

and Yaacov Barsimantov, the sec-

ond secretary at the Israeli embas-

sy in Paris, two of the eight attacks between 1981 and 1984

(seven in France, one in Italy) responsibility for which was publicly claimed by the FARL. The

same experts point to the "sophis-

ticated character of the remote-

made by knowledgeable ama-teurs." They also note the "Czech

orgins of most of the weapons and

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changed hotels and rented

"quality" of the organisation forged by Abdaliah become evident from this exhaustive investigation. As is evident from the "fake but genuine" passports, it is a network which functioned with state support. What this means is that the FARL worked for a section of the Syrian government and George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP). Born in 1951 in Tripoli, Georges

Ibrahim Abdallah was from young days an activist in the Syrian People's Party, a Lebanese party dedicated to Greater Syria. He left it to join Palestinian movements, particularly the PFLP, where he is supposed to have had the rank of major and to be on friendly terms with Habash.

What is unique about this organisation is that it is a family network and its members have a thorough knowledge of Europe, especially France. All the FARL embers so far identified are close to the Abdallah family, which is of Christian origin. Apart from El Mansouri and Abdo (sentonced respectively to 15 and 16 years in gaol in Italy), there are Jacqueline Esber, Férial Daher, Salim El coincided with the dates of FARL Khoury, Maurice Abdallah (he has still not been found). When Gille Psyrolles, the director of the French Cultural Centre in Tripoli was kidnapped by the FARL in March 1985 in a bid to obtain the What did the police find on release of its fellow members, he Abdallah's person and in the apartments he lived in? Lists of found himself confronted by El Khoury, Robert and Maurice Abdallah as well as Esber, said to

Israeli and Jewish organisations and associations, names of promi be the group's "brains". All of them speak very good nent Jewish figures, street maps of cities (Rome, Berne, Saragossa, Nicosia). Above all, they discov-French. Abdallah, who prides himself on his Marxist culture, kept company with the Red Brigades in ered a veritable arsenal as a result the '70s. He set up a "broad of the search made on April 2. 1985 of the flat he rented at No 18. ranging" network, making himself Rue Lacroix in the 17th arronout to be a political man, and winning over French extreme-less dissement of Paris (discovered by circles in Grenoble especially. He tracing the circuit taken by the rent payments -- credit transfers from the Universal Bank of Genegave his network a name similar West Germany's Red Army va to a real estate agency account at the Crédit du Nord in Paris): 97 Fraction. In short, he knows how to pour himself into the mould of cakes of trityl (21 kilos), a 2.5 kg cake of Semtex H, three detonators, six RPG7 propellents, a one-kilo cake of explosive, two Skorpion CZ 7.65mm submachine. European terrorism. He is an important and able figure. In short he is a "cadre" of internations

The police investigation has however uncovered only the tip of the iceberg. For instance, FARL has claimed responsibility only for targeted actions, particularly against American and Israeli diplomats and secret service agents. The discovery of important stocks of explosives proves that it did not restrict itself to this role. The Lyons prosecutor's office points out caches planted by FARL have not been discovered." What's more, the contents of the cache of weapons and explosives found on the Rue Lacroix had been "handled" since Abdallah's arrest in 1984, as was shown by a copy of the Paris daily; Le Quotidien de Paris, dated January 26, 1985 which was found

A logistical infrastructure which has not yet been unearthed and has probably been involved in some of these latest terrorist at-

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## France walks a tightrope

minister of foreign affairs, Yuli Vorontsey, when he passed through Paris recently and asked him to support our request to the Security Council whose current president is the Soviet ambassador

But what sort of measures can be taken apart from Unifil falling back on itself?

If, eight years after Unifil was formed, the world community can-not give it the means for fulfilling its mission without its contingent becoming chosen victims, then it It will have to be done internationally, for I can't see how France, a permanent member of the Security Council taking part in an international force, could unilaterally All the same, isn't France being

belatedly rather naive in discover-ing today that its soldiers have indeed become targets - which is Its International context. unfortunately common enough for soldiers — and that war kills?

things and they must not be confused. It's true that in the case of an intervention force like Unifil it's very difficult to prevent sol-diers being killed or wounded in incidents on the ground. But this has nothing to do with a situation where soldiers are deliberately killed or wounded by people chal-lenging the very principle of their

modify this mandate, reinforce Unifil's means or take other mea-sures, and we have suggested that if at the end of this review no prospects for remedying the situation become apparent, then the appropriate consequences will have to be drawn. I can't go any further for the moment, considering that our commitment is international in character.

Doesn't "drawing all the consequences" in this case mean just the opposite of what the President recently declared?

At the end of his statement published on September 4, the President broached the need for "guarantees" to enable Unifil to continue fulfilling its mission. Let's say there is agreement be-tween the Matignon, Elysée and the Quai d'Orsay that the question should be thoroughly reviswed in

diers — and that war kills? In talking about his Paris visit,
There are two quite distinct Yull Vorontsov hinted that France favoured the Soviet proposal on the Middle East involving the holding of a conference and, in the near future, the setting up of a kind of preparatory committee. Is your po-

Soviet initiative". However, the matter should be clear. France is Will France ask the Security not opposed to a proposal aimed at lar action. But it's Council to redefine Unifil's mandate or merely to issue specific on the Middle East with the participation of all the permanent

We have asked for a meeting to summbers of the Security Council, examine whether it is necessary to but it is aware that implementing such a project is bound to encoun-ter many obstacles. If only for the reason that some of the parties either) prefer to have direct con-

> To take the case of another of your recent callers, General Vernon Walters, did he really ask for nothing from France? Nothing. He came to take stock

of the situation in the Mediterranean and the measures adopted in Europe, especially at the EEC level, for fighting terrorism. He didn't seem to me to be disappointed by the Europeans on this point. He also spoke of Chad. You know what our position is on that.

Defence Minister André Giraud's

I think M Giraud's position is the same as mine, that is, that France intervened in Chad at the has maintained a disposition the ground there for aiding it if necessary. We support the political reunification of Chad, where the situation has temporarily stabilised. But 'we remain very vigilant because Libyan infiltration could occur.

Did General Walters speak to you An ambiguity has recently arisen on this issue. I've even heard a reference somewhere to a "Frenchladafy? He didn't mention any particular action. But it's clear Washington was expecting a resurgence of

> (September 9) As a parameter of the

Reach 380,000

Contact: Advertisement Manager, The Guardian Weekly,

For the film, Montand has been aged 15 years, with heavy make-up, his natural wrinkles heightened windse pencil, a bristly, grizzled moustache and a meat in a patina suggests a lifetime of hard work and sweat in a torrid climate, he looks disconsertingly like Gaston torrid climate, he looks disconsertingly

Montand's transition, as an actor, from middle to old age seems to have been achieved effortlessly, and age seems to take any regrets. One wonders what apparently without any regrets an important and prompted him to take such an important and prompted been why had he agreed to play the part of interestible step.

tures of an itinerant photograph

successful career?

call it a day.

I myself have no desire whatever

to start playing a series of grandfa-

ther roles. Commonsense tells me

to give up acting altogether. It's a profession which causes, and has

always caused, me such agony that

I think it really must be time to

In the cinema the aim is to get

as close as possible to the truth of

the character. You put on a set of clothes — César Soubsyran's heavy corduroy jacket, for example — but you really have to clothe

never quite sure you're going to pull it off. yourself from within. And you're

Everyone raved about how thin I

you're getting, to your public image, is quite a different matter.

I swear to you I wished every

have an excuse not to go on stage. It was because I was afraid,

had to count in my head: "C'est si

bon, deux, trois, quatre, un . . . De

partir n'importe où, deux, trois, quatre, un . . ." What, you mean it didn't show? How nice of you. But

when it comes down to it I wasn't

really cut out for the job. I'll never

understand how a son and

grandson of peasants, like myself,

ended up on the boards.

physically afraid.

respect for Marcel Pagnol, who No double maracter, and who was best man at inventory marriage to Simone Signoret. Pagnol, says Marriad, was not just "the author of regional and appropriate providing the surface of th seuvre resembles a Greek tragedy rejigged by Charlie

No doubt, too, because he wanted to demonstrate resoundingly that a possible future candidate for the French Presidency (which Montand has hinted he might be) is primarily and enduringly, a great actor. But certainly because he wanted a slice of the action in one of the biggest blockbusters in French cinema history, a movie with an eight-month shooting schedule and a budget of 110 million francs (about £11

The story of Berri's ambitious film began back in

1952, when Pagnol, a film-maker as well as a novelist. shot "Manon des Sources". Ten years later, he published two novels, "Jean de Florette" and "Manon des Sources", which returned to and expanded on the theme of his film - the stony landscape and emotions

Claude Berri has adapted Pagnol's two novels for the screen. "Manon des Sources", the sequel to "Jean de Florette", will be released in November and also

Danièle Heymann Interviewed Yves Montand at his Paris flat in the Piace Dauphine — the home he shared with Simone Signoret until her death earlier this year. His only reference to that sad event in his life was an affectionate gesture towards the sofa where she used to sit, a shrug, and the words: "Life goes on."

#### WHEN did you first discover Marcel Pagnol's universe? In "Marius" (1931), the first film

scripted by him that I saw. With typical conceit, people in the South of France immediately got the impression that thanks to Pagnol the whole world had begun to revolve around La Canebière in Marscilles and the celebrated sardine which allegedly blocked the

harbour entrance.

I myself, though from the Midi, thought it had all got a bit out of hand. Henri Alibert (a Marseillais actor and writer of light opera) was reportedly "enjoying a triumph in Paris" — but he wasn't, he was just being successful. Another Marseillois, Vincent Scotto, was "the world's greatest composer". No he wasn't — but his unique naivety was refreshing. I found I had to fight such southern exaggerations when we began shooting Jean de Florette".

Daniel Auteuil, is superb as Ugolin, and who comes from Avignon, agreed with me. We took care not to pile on the southern accent. In any case, when you sit down and read Pagnol, the accent emerges naturally because of the sing-song way he writes.

You must have met Pagnol when you were a music-hall artiste in Marseilles?

Yes, in 1942. Pagnol owned his own studios there. He also ran a magazine, Les Cahiers du Film, in which I read that he was looking for extras for "La Fille du Puisatier". You were asked to

bring your own "wardrobe".

I packed my little cardboard suitcase and turned up with my stage costume — a large and very long check sports jacket which my brother-in-law persuaded me to buy at Thiéry's, "the well-dressed

As for my part, all you can see on the screen is my back. I was used as a marker for a tracking shot. But I was quite oblivious to what was going on. The spotlights were on my face and I was in seventh heaven: I was making a

got for my part in "L'Aveu". But that's not the point. Any idiot can lose a few pounds. But injecting life into a character, keeping up the momentum, equalling people's expectations of you, to the fee That evening, I was introduced to Pagnol in the rushes room. sang him three songs and did a few impersonations. After that, I didn't see him again immediately.

But he was best man at you. wedding, wasn't he?

It was Simone who had kept in line. They'd been at school togethtime at Harcourt the photographers, she met Jacqueline who had come to have a set of studio portraits taken. Then the Pagnols rought a house near Vence, and we saw each other regularly after

He was an extraordinary talker, just as captivating as Picasso, or Sartre, or Prevert — other people I've known. Pagnol had been a schoolteacher and it showed: he talked as though he was talking to his pupils — or maybe that was only how he acted with me. But anyway I learned a lot from him. And he was amusing too.

Have there been "periods" or There were two stories of his he "stages" in your career? wanted me to direct, since he thought he was too old to direct himself. One was a kind of

## Montand comes to terms with the advancing years To a certain extent I had the same problem as Marilyn Monroe, who was obliged to play dumb blondes because of the high girlish voice that issued from her superb

prototype of "La Guerre du Feu", and the other described the advenwho travels round the markets of where, every 10 years, a new curtain is raised — one green, one yellow, one blue, and then finally a black curtain falls. I was shit-But did you never think of acting in scared when I turned 40, then had a Pagnol play or film yourself? Marcel asked me if I'd be intera wonderful summer when I was 53, the year that "César et

Rosalie" came out.
Then, well, at 60 you just have

ested in appearing in a stage version of "Marius", and later of 20 years now. It's not some passing fancy. Both in my so-called com-mitted songs and in certain politi-"La Femme du Boulanger". I turned him down. By the way, Michel Galabru, who did it in the cal films, my position didn't use to be very different from what it is end, gave a really great performance and earned well-deserved Things were more straightforward then. You were labelled as a You haven't been in a film for three years, not since Claude Sautet's "Garcon", which was a turningpoint. Now you're back, but in a film where you have been made to look 15 years older. Are you going through the same process as Jean Gabin in "Touchez pas au Grisbi" (1954)? Does your role in "Jean de Florette" herald the start of another

Montand brings a red rose to Simone Signoret's funeral.

to accept yourself as you are. When

I gave my last show at the Olympia, I felt the need to be strict

with myself. I saved my energies,

walking to improve my breathing,

legitimately very demanding.
I've decided to heed the danger

signals, even if I still feel up to

mances, yes. And perhaps the tour l've been promising myself for ages — the backwoods of America,

countries I've never sung in, like

Are you satisfied with your phy-

Egypt or Israel.

And even then the cinema is spent the whole day lying down, nothing compared with a one-man watching what I ate, doing a bit of

For the first three weeks of my last show at the Olympia, in 1981, the time came in the evening. One

evening I'd break my leg, so I'd . is like a girl of 18 or 20, and quite

It's never been easy for me. I doing certain things. So I can't even have difficulty in keeping really see myself doing another time. When I sang "C'est Si Bon", I show in France. Gala perfor-

rightwinger now. Or to think I want to become President of France. The question I ask myself is this; to make my voice heard, must I necessarily make a bid for the Presidency? It's as simple as

That's no reason to label me as

When you were type-cast as the

"singing prole", were you already active politically? I've been involved in politics for

If joining the electoral males

means I can cut this or that politician down to size, then count me in. Imagine me and Le Pen. I'd like to be able to say to him: "You're a coward, sir. When one is an anti-Semite or a racist one should admit to being one." But for the moment I'm happy to go on record as saying that some

go on record as saying that some members of the present govern-ment are doing a fine job, like Philippe Séguin, Alain Juppé and Philippe Malhuret. I see no reason, either, why Philippe de Villiers should get so much atick. Is it because he is a devout Catholic? I say: respect his opinions even if you don't agree with them.

But I also recognise that some members of the previous Socialist Government, such as Jacques Delors, Pierre Bérégovoy and Jack Lang were good. Lang is perhaps a bit too flashy, but he did some very good things for culture. I only hope that his successor. François Léo-



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Tve never liked either my physique or my "nice working-class fellow" side. I know that deep inside me I can be as nice and as nasty as anyone else; but I don't Yes, one grows old in stages. Our friend Louis de Funès used to compare life to a little theatre what was expected of me.

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NO ONE could look at the pictures of the Soviets' American hostage Nicholas Daniloff exulting in his transfer out of Lefortovo prison and not share in his gratitude and relief. Almost two weeks in his eight-by-ten-foot cell, cut off from contact with family and countrymen except by his jailers' occasional leave, subject to continuous surveillance and repeated, prolonged interrogation by his KGB captors, Mr. Daniloff, the Moscow correspondent for U.S. News & World Report, is immeasurably better off out of prison than he was in it.

But he is still the victim of a cynical and outrageous frame-up. And he is still a hostage. The only way the United States was able to gain his release from prison, it seems, was to acquiesce in this hostage status and to become in some degree a guarantor of it. This is awfully uncomfortable. In explanation it is said that Mr. Daniloff's health was at risk under the conditions of his imprisonment, that the deal is essentially the same one that was made to gain the release of another American in similar circumstances a few years back, that a kind of pre-arranged series of face-saving steps will in fact lead to Nick Daniloff's release from captivity and that in the imperfect and unbalanced, if not downright rotten, world of U.S.-Soviet dealings, this is the sort of thing you sometimes have to do.

There is bound to be much inquiry into all this in the days ahead; there will be sustained efforts by journalists and politicians and others to establish just what the bargaining was about and whether the American government did the right thing and got the best it could. There are many serious questions, and it will be useful to know more. The only thing we can say with certainty just now is that, glad that Nick Daniloff is out of Lefortovo, we hope, and trust, that the deal that got him out is better than it looks.

## The Daniloff Deal Genesis Of A Diplomatic Fiasco

By Walter Pincus and David B. Ottaway

game" and suddenly mushroomed nto a confrontation of major diplo a friend matic proportions that neither side

low-level Soviet apy recruiter winding up a four-year tour of duty with the United Nations in New York. He was jailed without bail and charged with espionage after taking three classified documents from an FBI collaborator he had been cultivating as a source. A week later, the Soviets retali-

ated, acting with apparent symmetry, by selzing and imprisoning American correspondent Nicholas Daniloff, who was ending a 5-year stint in Moscow for U.S. News &

WASHINGTON - It started as World Report. Daniloff was sur- well as foes on Capitol Hill, with just another episode in the covert battle between rival intelligence after he was handed an envelope services over the rules of the "spy containing two films marked "secret" by a Russian he thought was

In the ensuing two weeks, the apparently wanted or anticipated.
With no show of concern for the possible political fallout on presummit jockeying, the FBI on Aug.

23 arrested Gennadi Zakharov, a what it intended to do.

At first, it did not rule out the possibility of some kind of a deal, then rejected any trade, but finally accepted equal treatment as "an interim step." On Friday, both Daniloff and Zakharov were released into custody of their respec-

By accepting the Soviet suggestion to release both mon, the Reagan administration has temporarily defused the tension. But its handling of the issue has evoked a torrent of criticism from allies as

conservatives inside and outside the administration charging it has sold out on the president's own promise of "no trade," or will do so if it cannot win Daniloft's freedom

without a trade for Zakharov.

"Could you imagine what we (conservatives) would be doing if Jimmy Cartor had done this?" remarked one Reagan political appointed Saturday. "ment would be too easy."

Initially, the two nation's securi-ty services, the FBI and the KGB, appeared to be calling the shots. In the U.S. top political leaders were either on vacation or apparently unaware decisions were being taken that cloarly might upset the larger U.S.-Soviet relationship; the same may have been true in

After embarrassment over the Walker family spy ring, the mis-handling last fall of the Soviet defector Vitali Yurchenko, a KGB agent who defected and then went back home, and then the defection of ex-CIA agent Edward L. How-ard to the Soviets, the Reagan administration and particularly pressure to recoup against the

One well-publicized response was the FBI's apprehension early this summer of the Soviet aur attache here as he was caught in the act of picking up classified documents. He was quickly ex-

The arrest of Zakharov, remarked one Senate intelligence committee source, was "done lor domestic consumption to show we are really doing something and the United States is on top of this spy thing."

Now President Reagan and Sovi et leader Mikhail Gorbachev have asserted personal control. Reagan is clearly seeking to limit the diplomatic impact of the arrests on pre-summit diplomacy, and Soviet spokesmen say repeatedly they consider the arrests a minor matter. But the secret war between with the release of the two mer temporarily caught up in that

By all accounts, the decision to have the FBI hand Zakharov a package of classified documents and then arrest him after three years of surveillance was handled as a routine matter. There was no inter-agency disagreement or hesitancy over the action, and the officials involved recognized that some form of Soviet retaliation

tration officials. There appears to have been no discussion about implications of jailing Zakharov. step in the eyes of the Soviets, which Justice Department sources said was handled under a Reagan administration policy that all East bloc citiziens arrested for espionoge be held without ball. Zakharov's lawyor later complained that this was a bronk with past precedent in the handling of such cases.

Administration officials insist the decision to arrest Zakharov was approved at a "very high level" within the government, as one put it, and that the interagoncy discussions prior to the possibility of retaliation." "But Continued on page 16

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## Foreign Policy? What Foreign Policy?

WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration hasn't ruled out a trade to free Nicholas Daniloff. Officials hope the Daniloff case won't disrupt arms-control talks or the summit. Oops. Wait a minute.

Separate that The Design of the summit of the summit of the summit of the summit. The president eventually decided to turn up the rhetoric. He democing with journalists that nounced the Soviets for deliberate of the summit. Opps. Wait a minute.

Separate that The Design of the summit the summit. Oops. Wait a minute. Scratch that. The Daniloff case is an affront to human decency. There can be no talk of a trade for Daniloff. Er, sorry. Did we say no reagan administration makes it invasion of Afghanistan. But trade? Perhaps an "interim" trade hard to achieve any foreign-policy Reagan didn't retaliate. This com-

Libya's Moammar Gadhafi is

President Reagan is finally prepared for a "grand compromise arms control. He will accept limits on strategic defense in exchange for deep cuts in Soviet offensive missiles. Wait. Sorry. No, he isn't.

administration spinning its wheels on foreign policy. Indeed, after reviewing the past month's record tion is conducting a foreign policy at all these days. The answer is yes, but it's a strange sort of policy.

The Reagan administration's the NSC machine hasn't worked to

opinion poll, and in many ways, it works. The country is happy.
Usually it gets what it wants.

• Arms Control, Reagan sent a letter in July to Gorbachov that Soviet attack was low-key. Hersh many administration officials de-

The problem is that the airliner and said that the Soviet undisciplined, ad-hor style of the action was worse than their 1979 breakthroughs. It's surprising, in fact, how little this strong and planning new terrorist attacks popular president has been able to public mood. against the United States, and the accomplish in nearly six years. against the United States, and the accomplish in nearly six years. A similar pattern of changing Reagan administration is readying The record of the weak and unpop-statements and ad-hoc policy has

plans for a military retaliation. The weak and unpopular Carter administration, by whosal Hold on. Correction. The administration isn't planning military action. Intelligence reports about Libya are inconclusive.

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By David Ignatius

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These are the sounds of an administration spinning its wheels on foreign policy. Indeed, after reviewing the past month's record of statements and retractions on tey issues, a reasonable person night ask whether the administration in contrast, has had trouble brokering a relatively simple dishoped to avoid an international incident and disruption of arms-control talks, which were approaching a sensitive phase, or the prospective summit between the breakdown of the National Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhnil Gorbachev.

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the Reagan foreign policy has proved to be something quite different: an ad-hoc process of trial and error, of alternating hard-line and soft-line statements, of proposals that are run up the flagpole to see who salutes.

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A case in point is the Reagan quickly in accordance with the dictates of simple human decency and of civilized national behavior."

Then, last Friday, the hard line scemed to soften as American officials negotiated the "interim" release of Daniloff and an accused difficulty speaking with one voice in the first hours and days after the incident.

Reagan's ad-hocism has its vir- writes: "Reagan felt no immediate

Four days later, amid growing public indignation about Daniloff the line seemed to change. Secretary of State George Shultz said in a speech at Harvard: "Let there be no talk of a trade for Daniloff. . . . foreign policy might best be described as "ad-hocism." Far from being the rigid application of tial decisions.

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Not so, claimed Secretary of (David Ignatius is an associate indignation and urging reprisals.)

Defense Caspar Weinberger last editor of The Washington Post.)

had realized it was a civilian beholders than anything else. It was never something the president considered because he was never willing to give up strategic debination of red-hot rhetoric and no military risk scemed to suit the

Who's right? Those like Weinberger who insist that the president will never give up SDI? Or the senior administration offi-cials who maintain that the president deeply wants an arms-control agreement with Moscow? Both are probably right. Our ad-hoc president wants both things, and apparently feels he doesn't have to

choose between them.

Libya. The Wall Street Journal created an uproar last month when it reported: "After a lull, Col. Gadhafi has begun plotting new Reagan administration is prepar-ing to teach the mercurial Libyan leader another lesson. Right now, the Pentagon is completing plans for a new and larger bombing of Libya in case the president orders

Oh yeah? Administration officials in Washington told The New York Times that "the United States had no hard evidence that States had no hard evidence that Libya was planning new terrorist attacks and they flatly denied reports of impending military action against Libya." Oh yeah? A senior White House official in Santa Barbara told reporters The Journal story was "highly authoritative." Oh yeah? Other officials said the administration had in fact been caught in a particularly inept psychological-warfare scheme, one that seemed to frighten the American public more than it did Gadhafi,

Seymour Horsh, certainly no fan of Henry Kissinger, argues that the former national security adviser could teach the Reaganites an important lesson. Says Hersh: "Kissinger understood that you have to grab control of communications in the White House and speak with one voice."

# The Yo-yo Market

HISTORIANS of the stock market observable adecline was relatively crash of 1929 preceding the Depression. Decisioness over the event is mild. But that's pretty thin providing its causes.

The common wisdow provided rates ahead. But that's not entirely the common wisdow fright on Thursday last week when on inflation and harden clutch of fright on Thursday last week when on plausible. When the Dow Jones Industrial Average hit a new plausible. When the Dow Jones Industrial Average hit a new the previous happened between those two Thursdays to impose a the previous happened between those two Thursdays to impose a the previous happened between those two Thursdays to impose a the previous happened between those two Thursdays to impose a realistic explanation lies in the behavior of speculative markets that the base of the cother.

the other.

This tendency to move in surges seems to be growing more pronounced. It's frequently blamed on program trading, the use of intricate hedging techniques made possible by computers. But there's more to it than that. Most stock is owned by large institutions — ponsion funds, mutual funds, insurance companies — which put it in the hands of professional managers. Most of them follow similar strategies in an intensely competitive game, closely watching the same signals and reacting with the same reflexes. Movement in oither direction tends to feed on itself, and small causes can have very large effects. and small causes can have very large effects.

Do the ups and downs of the stock market make a difference to anyone but the speculators? Indeed they do. The enormous rise of the market over the past year has clearly been a factor in the increased consumer spending that has helped to keep the economy expanding. Conversely a decline, if it persisted, would not only make individuals poorer but would

discourage companies from investing.

It would be strange if, in this decade, stock prices were not unusually volatile—for much more influential prices, including the price of money itself, have been swinging wildly. Since the early 1970s, the commodity markets have shot up and down with great violence. Interest rates have moved more or less with them, on a spectacular scale. Over the past several years, the exchange rate of the dollar has risen and fallen much faster than at any time in its modern history. Perhaps this latest slide in the stock market will not amount to anything of lasting significance. But it is certainly a sign, among many others, of the profound instability of the economy in the 1980s.

#### Mexico And The Bankers

MEXICO and the banks have come to a tight and perilous place in their negotiations over the next round of loans. They are moving slowly, and it now appears that a successful conclusion is less than certain. The International Monetary Fund is the central mediator between the indebted Latin countries and their creditors, and at its board meeting last week it took an unusual step. To increase the pressure for progress, it reversed its usual procedure. Instead of waiting for the banks to commit themselves, it approved its own share of these loans and put its own money on the table first - a signal, in the language of these talks, of irritation and concern that they are going to slowly. And it set a deadline (September 29) for concluding them. If that deadline is missed, it's possible that the whole massive and intricate Mexican financial plan will

That plan, worked out between Mexico and the IMF in July, is a highly innovative blueprint to help the Mexicans absorb the shock of the fall in oil prices and to get their economy expanding again. It calls for \$12 billion in new loans to Mexico this year and next. Half is to come from the IMF and other international and government sources. The other half is to come from the American, European and Japanese banks to which Mexico already owes some \$75 billion.

In these negotiations each side holds a gun at the head of the other. Without additional bank lending, Mexico's hopes for a recovery next year fade out of sight. But if Mexico were to respond by holding up interest payments on the past loans, the result would be a worldwide banking

One issue is, inevitably, interest rates. The Mexicans are reportedly pressing for interest rates on the new loans set at the banks cost of borrowing money - that is, with zero profit to the banks. The banks

borrowing money — that is, with zero profit to the banks. The banks have refused, not least because they do not care to set a precedent that would be seized by other Latin debtors. And there are evidently other difficult issues arising from the extremely complex nature of these loans. The IMF set September 29 as the deadline because, on the following day, the annual meetings of the IMF and the World Bank open here in Washington, attended by nearly every government in the world and thousands of commercial bankers. In that atmosphere, unresolved Maximum progretistics and the sense the course positive issue of Mexican negotiations could casily become the central political issue of the occasion and increase North-South tensions in all the familiar unhelpful ways.

It's not a matter of blaming either the banks or the Mexicans. But the IMF is saying that these crucial talks are in danger of stalling. It's time for the negotiators to consider more carefully the costs of failure.

#### LETTER

#### The KAL Shootdown

2"... by an incomplete quotation from an ICAO report. If Mr Feaver had remained on the alert he would have discovered the complete quotation on page 234. Secondly, the map on pp46-47

MAY I make two points about Shootdown — Flight KAL 007 by R. W. Johnson? Firstly, your reviewer, Douglas B. Feaver (Guardian Weekly, July 13, 1986), says, "the reader is alerted on page asys, "the reader is alerted on page asys," the reader is alerted on page asys, "the reader is alerted on page asys," the reader is alerted on page as errors regarding Australian installations."

Arthur Batt, Stevenson Way, Howick, New Zealand.

#### Reagan Under Fire For Deal Over Daniloff

herov were released into the cus-tody of their respective ambassadors in Moscow and New York on Friday last week after intense diplomatic negotiations. But Secretary of State George P. Shultz, calling the move "an interim step," said Daniloff remained a 'hostage" in Moscow, a term also

used by President Reagan.
After 13 days of trying without success to win Daniloff's unconditional freedom, the United States accepted a Soviet proposal to re-lease the two men, both accused of espionage, to their ambassadors with the understanding that they would be available for trial.

But Shultz and other U.S. officials acknowledged serious obsta-cles to winning the complete free-dom of Daniloff, with the Soviets insisting he should be treated similarly to the treatment shown toward Zakharov. A senior official familiar with the negotiations "We haven't budged, and they haven't budged."

Shultz insisted at a White House news conference that there was "no equivalency" between the cases of Zakharov, a Soviet physicist and United Nations employee, and Daniloff, a Moscow correspondent for U.S. Now 2 correspondent for U.S. News & World Report. Reagan drew the distinction of the administration's point of view in a speech to elementary school principals in the Daniloff as "our hostage in Moscow" and Zakharov as "the Soviet

In a briefing on the agreement to release both men, Shultz told reporters the Daniloff case "damages the (Soviet-American) relationship," but said it would not stand in the way of his meeting this week with Soviet Foreign

WASHINGTON — American journalist Nicholas Daniloff and accused Soviet spy Gennadi ZakReagan and Soviet leader Mikhail

Casharkar

A senior official said Reagan approved the interim measure after receiving a report that in-cluded a medical evaluation saying that Daniloff, who suffers from high blood pressure, was under "extreme psychological pressure" during his imprisonment, which has included four hours of KGB

interrogation a day.
Officials said that Shultz recommended and Reagan approved the interim release after the Soviets refused to accept two U.S. proposals. The first, accompanied by a

#### By Lou Cannon and James R. Dickinson

personal assurance from Reagan that Daniloff was not a spy, was that the journalist be released outright without being charged while Zakharov be turned over to the Soviet ambassador pending

prospective swap of Zakharov for a Soviet dissident or dissidents, who were described as "political prison-ers" by U.S. officials. The Soviets did not formally reject this idea but gave no positive response to it,

Administration officials said the negotiations with Moscow will coninue, and several sources held out hope that a complete resolution could be worked out within a week. Others were less optimistic.

Pressure increased on the administration to force the Soviet Union to release Daniloff, with two leading senators calling on the

Senator Bill Bradley, D.N.J., and two former high administra-tion officials — former national security affairs adviser Robert C. McFarlane and former United Na. tions ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpartick — also withdrew from a public debate on superpower rela-tions between U.S. and Soviet policymakers in the Soviet Union to show their displeasure with the administration's handling of the

In addition to rejecting the proposed summit, Senators Richard G. Lugar, R-Ind., and Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., advo-cated cutting off subsidized grain sales to the Soviet Union, the expulsion of "500 spies" in the Soviet mission to the United Nations and restricting this week's meeting between Shultz and Shevardnadze to the Daniloff case alone if he has not been freed by then. Former secretary of state Henry A. Kissinger said of the Soviets, "They held an American for ransom and got what they

Deputy Secretary of State John Whitehead said he is optimistic that there will be a summi between Reagan and Gorbachev Failure to resolve the Daniloff cas would not necessarily preclude talks between the two superpow ers, he said, because "if we terninate all discussions with the Soviet Union, then we cannot make progress on this case or on anything else.
"I think that the Soviets need a

summit . . . and we would like a summit, but we're not ready to pay for a summit. The world will better off if there is a summit, but

#### Genesis Of A Diplomatic Fiasco

some 600 employees of the United Nations and another 275 stationed

in the separate Soviet diplomatic

The Reagan administration, un-

made this presence a major issue,

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for spying have all been U.N.

employees, not members of the mission, which is the target of the U.S.-demanded curback.

There are several unanswered

questions about the FBI decision to

move against Zakharov. His im-

mission to the world body.

there was no way of prediciting against whom," he said. "It was decided both sides were going to do what they were going to do."

Apparently the decision to arrest Zakharov did not reach the presidents."

dent, Secretary of State George P. Shultz or White House chief of staff Donald Regan, according to administration officials.

The FBI decision was reviewed at an inter-agency meeting in mid-August that included Rodney McDaniel, National Security Council executive secretary and number three man on the NSC staff, and Michael H. Armacost, undersecretary of state and the third-ranking State Department official, according to administra-tion officials. McDaniel later informed national security adviser John M. Poindexter, a der conservative pressure, has

knowledgable official said. The decision to apprehend The decision to apprehend Zakharov was "not presented as any big deal," according to one source, and was justified as part of an implementation of a general crackdown on Soviet espionage in the United States, a step Reagan had authorized several months arilier.

The Soviets, however, remain convinced the decision to "entrap"
Zakharov and hold him in jail was
Zakharov, who have been arrested approved by the American president, according to one Soviet diplomat. Most U.S. officials similarly believe Soviet leader Gorbachev, who was on vacation, must have known about and approved the

eizing of Daniloff. The Zacharov-Daniloff incident portance appears to have been

has its roots in an ongoing secret largely symoblic; his recruitmen "spy war" that has heated up over of a Guynnan student in New York the past year with a spate of posed only a marginal threat to arrests, defections or trials of both U.S. security interests, and he was Soviets and Americans involved in about to return to the Soviet the business. One of the basic steps Union. in this war is the recruiting of agents. Both sides do it around the

Zakharov, uitder FBI surveil lance from the day he took the U.N. job, had for three years been world and within each other's cultivating the student to become national territories without second a Soviet agent. The student, code In Washington's eyes, the Soviet Union has a major advantage period was collaborating with the bureau. Birge was working for a company doing unclassifed defense because of the ease of operating in the United States. According to work. His only access to classified the FBI, the largest number of information was what the bureau Soviet recuriters, or "spotters," is buried within the Soviet contin- itself provided the day of gent in New York, made up of Zakharov's arrest.

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MANILA. Philippines - Less than seven months after she came to power in a largely peaceful upris-ing that was heiled around the world. President Corazon Aquino is in trouble.

As she heads to Washington for a crucial first meeting with President Reagan this week, the 53year-old widow, commonly known here as "Cory," remains highly popular among her 55 million compatriots. But for all her unquestioned sincerity and good intentions, there are signs of growing pessimism about her abil-ity to handle the country's problems. The euphoria that accompanied her "people's power revolution" has largely given way to a sense that these problems may overwhelm her in the difficult times ahead.

Her government increasingly is perceived to be floundering amid the wreckage left by the disastrous administration of deposed president Ferdinand Marcos. But it is also weighed down with problems of its own making. While she holds the middle ground and does her best to referee infighting in her fractious 26-member Cabinet, centrifugal forces inexorably are pulling apart her unwicldy coalition, riven by multiple party loyalties, ideological differences and person-ality clashes.

Compounding her problems have been new gains by the radical left, the questionable loyalty of some ments in the military, the failure of the business community to make anticipated investments, a volatile labor situation, nationwide feuding over the appointment of more than 1,600 governors and mayors, and the likelihood that the Aquino government will not have offective control of the future Congress. This assessment is based interviews with government officials, military officers, communist rebels, church leaders, diplomats and a variety of other sources in different parts of the country

over the last several months. "Part of the problem is that Cory, having been brought to power as a sort of symbol who presides over warring groups, is not inclined to interfere with aquabbles because she wants to be above it all," said a Cabinet

'Many of those who have criticized Aquino's government desperately want her presidency to succeed. "I'd like to see her make it; I really would," said one western military attache. "But she's surrounded by tigers and crocodiles"."

minister. "She knows she is very popular, but the danger is that all these squabbles might engulf her." He added: "There's no doubt that everywhere Cory has gone, she has charmed people. She's honest and conducts herself in a high moral tone. But will she end up like Jimmy Carter?"
Similar expressions of concern

sumiar expressions of concern have been aired by other promi-nent Aquino backers, notably the archbishop of Manila, Cardinal Jaime Sin. The spiritual leader of this predominantly Roman Catho-lic country, the only Christian pation in Asia Sin year instantant

## The Troubled Presidency Of Corazon Aquino

appeals for patience and under-standing. "I guess there were very great expectations," she said.
"Many people believed that in the short special for patience and under-mist rebels and their leftist allies have emerged as the only unified force with a clear, common goal.
The left has recovered, both rebels and that the military would rule and that the military would rule and that the military would rule and the rule and that the military would rule and the rule and that the military would rule and rule and the rule and that the military would rule and rule and rule and the rule and short space of six months, many of our problems would be solved. I guess this has disappointed some of them." On the other hand, she added, many Filipinos "realize that with the enormity of our problems and our limited resources, government cannot really act as fast as it would like to in solving these problems." She indicated that she was banking heavily on increased foreign investment to generate more arms. vestment to generate more em-

Aguino also complained that some of her problems were being exaggerated by an unshackled local press. Manila alone now has 24 scoop-hungry daily nowspapers. which compete for circulation to-taling only about 2 million.

Indeed, a case can be made for the optimism publicly expressed by the Reagan administration and other U.S. officials, such as Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Richard G. Lugar, R. Ind., who visited here in August.

Having been vaulted into political prominence by the 1983 assus-sination of her husband, opposition leader Benigno Aquino Jr., the former housewife clearly has been "growing in the job" and steadily acquiring more confidence as the Philippines' seventh president. Marcos loyalists still have a

potential for disruption and outbursts of violence against the Aquino government, but they pose no serious threat of overthrowing it. The deposed Marcos, who turned 69 on Thursday, has been reduced to a grating voice in the Hawaiian wilderness, issuing dire warnings that World War III will scrupt in the Philippines unless he returns to power. Equally implau-sibly, his wife, Imeida, now complains that Aquino is wearing one of the 3,000 pairs of shoes left behind in Malacanang Palace.

Besides showing greater self-confidence, Aquino has upheld her reputation for common sense, honesty and integrity — virtues generally agreed to be badly needed in the country today after the Marcos era. And, as much as she says she harbors no ambition for power, Aquino expresses a determination to succeed. "I am not one to give up very easily," she said in the

Yet, a wide range of sources agree, the reasons for pessimiam about her government these days outweigh the positive factors. In the interview, Aquino said she was a member of no political party, although she ran for president under the banner of her vice president's party. She has spurned suggestions from supporters that she form her own party, explaining that "there are enough political parties and I do not want to add

lic country, the only Christian nation in Asia, Sin was instrumental in mobilizing the church to support the military-led "revolution" that drove Marcos into exile in Hawaii. "Disunity shows its very ugly head," Sin said in a recent homily aimed at bickering government officials. "The gains of the revolution are little by little being lost."

Like Sin, many of those who have criticized Aquino's government desperately want her presidency to succeed. "I'd like to see for a large in ment desperately want her presidency to succeed." I'd like to see for a large in presidency of succeed. "I'd like to see for a large in presidency of succeed." I'd like to see for a large in presidency of succeed. "I'd like to see for a large in presidency of succeed." I'd like to see for a large in provincial class of the revolution are little by littles and the mayor of a large provincial class of the commission columnate from prison by Aquino. So many clauses are being interested with what they described that up to now mobilet

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In a rare public admission of a "major tactical blunder," the Comerred in promoting a boycott of the February 7 national election, a policy that isolated it from the anti-Marcos uphonval that folanti-Marcos uphoaval that

election.

As the Philippines President makes her much-heralded visit to Washington, William Branigin examines her regime's chances of survival.

Mrs Aquino: asks for patience.

lowed. Now, after a period of "self-

250,000-member armed forces,

ple's war."

ing the business community in a recent speech, necusing it of timel-A major worry for the business community has been the wave of strikes it has suffered Aquino assumed the presidency and installed a leftist human rights lawyer, Augusto Sanchez, as labor minister. Many of the strikes have been called by the militant Kilusang Mayo Uno (May 1 Movement), a labor federation dominated by the Communist Party. So far this year, the Labor Ministry has recorded 428 strikes, a figure that already exceeds the 371 strikes

But there is widespread concern that the gains may be too small

and come too slowly to resolve

some of the underlying causes of

the insurgency.
Contributing to this concern is

the realization that the United States, for all its good will toward

the Aquino government, will ap-

parently prove incapable of supplying the massive aid that

many here had hoped would

amount to a new Marshall Plan for

Part of the problem is that the

business community, which provided crucial support for Aquino in

the February election, is mired in a Catch-22. Businessmen are re-

luctant to invest because of uncer-

tainty arising mainly from the communist insurgency. But progress in undercutting the insur-

gency depends largely on an eco-

nomic turnaround, which requires business confidence and new in-

vestments. An exasperated Aquino

made matters worse, some busi-nessmen believe, by publicly scold-

the Philippines.

called in 1985. Another source of trouble for the Aquino government is the Constitutional Commission, a 48-member body appointed by Aquino in May to draft a new constitution that will pave the way for local and legislative elections, probably early next year. The commission, beset by bickering and long-winded debates between a minority ftist bloc and a more conservative majority, has missed an infor-mal September 2 deadline set by mal September 2 deadline set by Aquino for completing its work. In the process, it has delved into criticism and rectification,"
including leadership changes, the
outlawed party and its armed
wing, the New People's Army
(NPA), have adjusted their strategy and appear again to be making gy and appear again to be making subject of intense debate that led headway in their 17-year-old "peo- to a walkout by the leftist bloc amid condemnation of what it Elements of the country's called "the tyranny of the major-

posturing as future presidents, they said, and district — instead of province-wide — elections of representatives have served to perpetuate the dynasties of political warlords. A unicameral legislature

might be more suitable for the Philippines, these observers said.
"The purse and legislation will be controlled by Congress, and it will be the most independent one you've ever seen in the history of the country," said a Cabinet minister. Given the macrous pourse situation and splits in the Aquino situation and splits in the Aquino coalition, he predicted. The government will lose control of Congress and will not be able to accomplish anything. In the end, the bicameral system will be more conducive to a stalemated gov

Perhaps the most divisive factor in the Aquino government has been the appointment of "officers in charge" to replace the 74 governors, 60 city mayors am

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1,520 town and village innyons clerted or appointed under the Marcos government. The appointments have been the responsibility of the minister of local governments, Aquilino Punentel Jr., an ambitious former mayor who was once jailed by Marcos on subversion charges for allegedly helping communist rebels.

Purcentel is a leader of the PDP Laban party, a left-of-center group headed by the president's brother dose (Peping) Cojuangeo, Members of the United Nationalist Democratic Organization, a rival party known as UNIDO and headed b Vice President Salvador Laurel, have accused Pimentel of appointing a disproportionate number of his own party members as gover nors and mayors to further his own presidential aspirations. Pimente

Nevertheless, it is clear that the fortunes of Lauret's UNIDO have waned under the Aquino government, and he has openly broached the prospect of allying with a conservative opposition group, the Nacionalista Party, in the forth-coming local and congressional elections. The latter party was formed recently by a protege of Defense Minister Enrile and is widely viewed as a vehicle for his own presidential ambitions. Most of its members are defectors from Marcos' once-powerful New Society Movement party, which split after his ouster.

All this raises the likelihood according to political analysts, that the PDP-Laban will line up in the next elections with the newly formed Partido Ng Bayan, which is essentially a legal communist party put together by Jose Maria Sison, the founding chairman of the Communist Party of the Philippines, and Bernabe Buscayno, alias Commander Dante, the origi-



By Michael Dirda

WHERE did the idea every fittle dotty, book dealers and college in title dotty, in folk, probably invariably specific or runners, in London there I will be invariably specific or runners, in London there I will be invariably specific or runners, in London there I will be invariably specific or runners, in London there I will be invariable to a Saturday morning and search buddled three-deep around a canvastic of the search table, syeing one another like sealous hyenas afraid of missing a choice bit of haunch. Fortunately, I feel ready for the book frenzy to come, being a veteran from early childhood of Doorbuster Specials and Crazy Day Sales, carefully trained in the quick grab by a mother of exceptional shopping brilliance and ferocity. Besides I hopping brilliance and ferocity. Besides I have dashed through the doors with Washington's best at such annual stampedes as the Vassar, Brandeis, and Goodwill Book

Sales. I know what to expect.
Or do I? My friend John Clute, collector extraordinaire of science fiction and much else, is across from me, chatting amiably with a guy who specializes in German literature, but all the while flexing his shoulders and elbows, jockeying for position, his right hand poised above the Laurence Binyon set of Dante not quite covered by the canvas. John's been a regular here for years, as have the two dozen or so other ollectors who know that the best book bargains in London come from George Jeffrey's barrows on Farringdon Road. George, who recalls a character out of Dickens — ruddy, round cheeks, thick London accent, blue shop coat — has been scurrying about shifting triple-decker novels, bound magnzines, and vellum folios from his dilapidated van to the various plank tables, occasionally stopping for a sip of coffee from the thermos he carefully places on the stone wall nearby. Holding the sole remaining license to sell books on the streets of London, he rules his pocket borough with an iron hand and a child's

of his tables will be unveiled and whip has been known to take Blackstone-like and then scuttle and then scuttle and the agonized off its green wing that result. One of flourish and here mumbles about sadism morning George starts with his most of us wait for the one-quid books, those with more refined taste hurry down to where George offers up 18th-century sets of Johnson and Collins, early leather-bound Bibles, sets of the Boy's Own Paper, anything that he deems of more than

Paper, anything that he deems of more than ordinary value. A sleek, goateed figure leans closely over the table and, as soon as George grasps a volume, shouts "Yes, George," never waiting to see the title or hear the asking price. Occasionally, two voices ring out, and without a word the Iron Chancellor flips a coin, glancing at one of the literature of the state o the disputants to make the call. When George hefts seven or eight volumes of P. G. Wodehouse, I think of losing my place over them. "None of 'em are right. Six quid for the lot." I like Wodehouse and would be happy with even non-firsts, but I am too elow and a guy my age snaps them up. It's lke Ong, the Chinese owner of Skoob (books spolled backwards), one of the best second-

hand shops in London.

By now our table is getting restless.

George ignores us and the tension mounts.

Should I move down to the auction area, where all the action is? I study Clute, who where all the action is? I study Clute, who doesn't budge, and I stay in place. Without warning George is suddenly in our midst, tugging away the tarp; for a moment I see the books as though in freeze-frame—something by Wyndham Lewis, Walter de la Mare's Broomsticks, Hermann Broch's The Sleepwalkers, odd volumes of Churchill's history of the Second World War, thin pamphiets of unknown character, Ordnance Survey Maps, little blue Oxford World Classics, a volume of Barry Pain stories, Henry King's poems, bound numbers of The Henry King's poems, bound numbers of The Strand magazine, and more and more - but then the world is a flurry of hands grabbing, arms reaching, elbows poking. My glasses are knocked from my face; no one hears my yell. I pick them up quickly with one hand and seize a copy of Sacheverell Sitwell's Southern Baroque Art with the other. Stuffing it under my arm, I reach down groping blindly for book after book, dropping most, saving a few. Within 90 seconds,

science fiction, check out Forbidden Plan-

possible. John Clute picked up Peter Dickinson's The Weathermonger, his first

for a couple of pounds. This shop certainly

offers a very pleasant change from all that

fresh air, trees and wind out on the Heath.

Foyle's (119 Charing Cross Rd, WC1, 437-

5660): Supposedly the biggest bookstore in the world and absolutely infuriating. No

one knows anything; it's impossible to find

the books you want; and the place is cavernous. Don't bother. For new books, try

book, for 50 pence; I found Many Invention



Browsing in a specialist London bookshop.

my arms laden, I tote my treasures off to the wall where I stack them next to Clute's. The fury of the bibliomanes has begun to calm down now, and I look more coolly through the rejects. After all, one man's trash . . . But this quiet lasts only a moment, because there are other tables, other tarps, other treasures. For a moment I glance up in the midst of this chaos of paper and bookcloth and think: This is heaven.

Indeed, for anyone who collects second-hand books, England remains a paradise. For one thing, you can find English books and real first-edition collectors "follow the fiag." If you collect John Fowles or John le Carre or any other British writer, you will want the English first editions of their books, the only true firsts. Of course, since the British tend to value dust jackets a lot less than Americans — a very healthy attitude in my opinion — fanatics may find it harder to find copies "mint in dj." Still the books are there, in bookshops as pleasant and varied as those of Washington.

Anyone contemplating a book-buying

trip to London should certainly stop by Farringdon Road (between Clerkenwell and

literally next door to Trumper's (perfumers to the same folk), Heywood Hill is nothing if not genteel. Nancy Mitford used to clerk here; people like Evelyn Waugh once stopped in frequently; those elegant men of letters, Harold Acton and Paul Horgan, still order regularly from their homes in Italy and America. Located in a rowhouse at 10 Curson Street, the shop handles both new and ple books, with an emphasis on literature, biography, history — just what a gentleman would like to read at his club. I noticed all six volumes of the ultra-literary, witty, unashamedly Tory letters of George Lyttelton and Rupert Hart-Davis. The secondhand shelves proffered novels by Bulwer-Lytton and Dickens; The Best of Friends: Letters to Sir Sydney Cockerell (which I bought in memory of Noel Perrin's enthusiastic "Padiences" in Park 1997.

Rediscovery" in Book World); Grierson's edition of Donne in two volumes. While I browsed though the stock, the phone rang repeatedly and was picked up by young shop assistants who might fit the poster image of the Sloane Ranger. The manager pottered about in an old gray cardigan and totted up bills on the backs of envelopes. While I was there, the collective staff turned over half the standard references to verify some bibliographical problem about Winston Churchill. Finally, the children's section in the basement - proved absolutely superb, its manager extremely knowledge able, and the books a bargain: I found the volumes of Alan Garner's Stone Book quartet, all firsts at their original £1.95 price. Of course, I had to scour all London to find the fourth book — and then pay a premium for it. (It was Granny Reardun and I finally located it at Waterstone's in

Charing Cross, where it was the only Garner on the shelf). All in all, Heywood Hill, like Farrindo Road, should be a stop on any bibliographic tour of London. Besides, you can then visit Trumper's as I did, where I heard a tweedybosomed dowager say in the most clevated of upper-class accents: "is the Brigadier THE GUARDIAN, September 21, 1986



#### The genuine article

I HAVE learned a few salutary lessons, these months in the country, but none more unexpected than the realisation that the prides and avocado suits where a clawed bath prejudices labelled "taste" or "aesthetic appreciation" or whatever is an essentially urban frivolity of the Marie-Antoinette-playing-at-milkmaids variety are usually be a law. In my case, perseverance and properly ignored by those with any trace of a real milkmaid in their veins. And when urban ideas of taste are applied to country cottages, we enter cloud cuckoo

As anybody knows who wasn't brought up in one, the country cottage is the Shangri-La of count-less city dreamers, the longed-for light at the end of the trafficchoked tunnel. Those dreams are uelled by a horde of rosos-roundthe-door morchants — not least the suppliers of interior decorations and glossy "country" maga-zines, who profitably enter for and constantly entrench the already unreal urban view of how a

had once been. Again brick floor ruined by stick-down tiles. Again n perfect proportions. There ought to be a law. In my case, perseverance was rewarded. At last, here it was. Is. The genuine rural article, isolated, honeysuckled, original, untouched. A pity, to be sure, that it also had windows carefully turned from The View. A pity that it had not been sited beside the stream but oh, the slate floors, the inglenook, the stone, the utterly unfitted kitchen. Lucky old mo.

Since that golden moment numerous rather less precious moments have passed and I have had to recognise the unbridgeable gap between a symbol and its reality, between beauty and practiculity. A humbler and wiser woman now. I know a truth. Everything that looks great about a house is a

APART from the Eisenstein film about the battleship named after Prince Potemkin lives on in modern Russian memory for a brilliant piece of Kremlin-spoofing which has lasted through Tears and Commissars alike. When the Empress Catherine the Great was visiting the territories of New
Russia her governor Prince
Potemkin erected eight villages to convince his short-sighted mon- many. arch that her ambitious colonisation scheme had been far more successful than was, in fact,

And just as British Rail is tor porhaps was), famous for sprucing up the lavatories whenever the Royal train comes within shunting Royal train comes within shunting distance, so local Soviet officials like to put on a good show whonever the Kremlin pays them hard currency, since this sort of thing is not laid on for the rouble

The practice has now become endenic, and applies to Western tourists and journalists and official guests alike. We are shown the things deemed suitable to see, and customers. The only Russians on the boat apart from the crew were I have yet to tour a Soviet factory or collective farm without smolling the fresh paint and feel that somehow the entire thing had been

But thanks to the error of booking clerk at the Moscow of-fices of Morflot, the Soviet ship-ping line, we have been privileged to get a long and rather grim peek bohind the Potemkin curtain. It We took our summer holidays in

Greece, and went there on a Soviet cruise ship from the Black Sea port of Odessa, through the Dardsnelles and on to the Athens port of Piraous. The journey out was luxurious, on the good ship Bolo-

at 5pm, clutching the tickets which said clearly that the cruiser sailed at nine. Not so. It had sailed at two. The Morflot agent instant-ly and courteously accepted responsibility, and promised us a cabin on the next available ship to cabin on the next available ship to Odessa. It was called the Bashkiria, but I shall always think of it as the Potemkin. Twenty years old, small and shabby, she was carrying a ship load of more than 300 Syrian and Sudanese students to their subsidised studies at Russian universities. This was The bars were plush and well stocked and offered a different at Russian universities. This was not a ship to oarn hard currency. speciality cocktail every day. There was waitress service round

> We found two lavatories on the boat which required much cleaning before use. This was tricky since we have two small children. We had a wonderful row with the cabin steward who wanted the children to sleep in one bunk while he put an Arab student in with us. The swimming pool remained emp-ty throughout the trip until pas-sionate appeals got it filled at 5µm on the last day of the voyage.

but part of the foreign aid busi

in Europe, and they had special hard currency rouble certificates which they quickly used to huy up the duty-free perfume and design-The food was terrible, and there was no wine waiter since there was no wine. We ato in shifts, and I It was the kind of ship and finally got a shower by invading cruise and service that any com-pany could be proud of, and the

the crow's quarters.
Nonetheless the good ship Potentialess the good samp
Potentkin brought us back to
Russian soil and I am now pursuing my complaint through Moritat
in Moscow, demanding at loast that
they reimburse me for the extra mainly French and German pas-sengers were evidently delighted with it all. "This Gorbachev is really getting the country's act together," one of the Frenchmen said over a late night cognac, and indeed, the evidence seemed to be three nights of hotel rooms I had to buy in Athens. So far they have been reluctant to settle and I am So after our time on the beaches about to embark upon a fascinatwe were looking forward to the ing adventure of launching a writ return voyage on the Lev Tolstoy and arrived at the port of Piracus will keep you informed of progress

## A Guide To Second-hand Bookshops In London And Oxford

THE book-collecting visitor to London should aim to acquire two books right off: The Bookshops of London by Martha Redding Pease and Driff's Guide to All the Second-Hand and Antiquarian Bookshops in Britain. The two are as different as Farringdon Road and Heywood Hill, but both are essential. Pease covers new, used and antiquarian shops, offers addresses, telephone numbers, nearby Underground stations, and each store's special expertise. Driff's focus is both wider and narrower, but what makes his guide special is the commentary: Driffield — no one knows his first name and he goes simply as Driff — mocks, libels, and blasts his subjects with an undisguised glee, verging on scurrility. He is the John Simon or Joan Rivers of second-hand book runners. Hatchards "always looks like a country house where they have been selling off the library & put the bks sideways so that nobedy will notice". Of B. Stone's, "I'm always keen on children's bksps, there is never any fear of children being allowed in the places". Driff also publishes a biweekly magazine, called simply Driff's, equally vituperative and (three issues offered poet-dealer lan Sinclair's comprehensive catalogue of the beats), but somewhat hard to come by. It is endium (234 Camden High St. NW1, 485-8944), though, the best of London's leftish-feminist-alternative

Some collectors, forced by well-meaning spouses or friends into museums, theaters and churches, may only have a limited time for their booking. Here, briefly annotated, are some of the notable biblio hot spots of London and Oxford.

Skoob (15 Sicilian Ave. Southampton Row WC1; 404-3063): My favorite second-hand nop in London. A family business (you may find the Ongs at lunch or tea), with a good range of books on all topics. I picked up a signed Chesterton for £6. Some literary magazines. Reminiscent of D.C.'s Second Story Books.

few and overpriced.

Bertram Rota (30 Long Acre WC2, 831-0723); Bernard Quaritch (5 Lower John crammed with much that no one would ever want. Perfect for anyone thirsting for the essays of E. V. Lucas or Augustus Hare. Still, I picked up Kipling firsts for a pound a book, a charming little volume of Gunning's reminiscences of Cambridge for 40 pence, and the extremely hard-to-find novel by Daniel Vare, The Maker of Heavenly Trousers (another Perrin "Rediscovery"). The slightly pricier Weatherheads (58 Kingsbury, Aylesbury, 23153), in nearby Aylesbury, is also worth a visit. I picked up three of the classic Temple Dante translations there. St. W1, 734-2983); Pickering and Chatto (17 Pall Mall SW1, 930-2515): Less book shops than book sanctuaries, anyone with-out a title is likely to feel intimidated here. Still, these are places book lovers should go, if only to glimpse the rarities.
Fantasy Centre (157 Holloway Road N1; 607-9433): Looks like a thrift shop, but is probably the best out-of-print store in ondon for fantasy and science fiction. Here I purchased the now scarce first volume of John Sladek's Roderick books. For new

There are, of course, dozens of worthy et (23 Denmark St., WC2, 836-41,79) — though their New York shop is bigger and There are, of course, dozens of worthy book shops-scattered throughout London. One sunny afternoon I sauntered down Islington's High Street — a very working-class neighborhood — and found three secondhand shops, all of them rather impromptu affairs, but in one of which I discovered Paul Ableman's I Hear Voices for Any Amount of Books (103-105 Hammersmith Rd. W6, 603-9232): I can't help but think that grammar calls for Any Number of Books. This is perhaps the best of the Charing Cross second-hand shops.

Dillons (Gower St. WC1, 836-1577): This is 20 pence. Nearly all the street markets — Camden Passage, Camden Lock, Lower Marsh and the Cut — will offer old books, the bookshop of the University of London, and worth a quick glance from anyons visiting the Courtauld. It has a marvelous sometimes of quite good quality. Even Harrod's sells secondhand books — the older titles from its lending library. In Oxford I also wandered into a dealer's nook in the brick baroque exterior. The new section is excellent, but the second-hand books are covered market, where I pounced on a The Flask Bookshop (6 Flask Walk, NW3, edition — second state, alas — of C. S. Lewis's Out of the Silent Planet, a book 435-2693): Located in Hampstead, this shop is pleasantly crowded, and bargains are

OXFORD The best is Robin Waterfield (36 Park End St., 0865-721809): near the train station. Lower floors are antiquarian. Top floor has extensive holdings in forgotten fiction, but bargains can be found. Lots of those blue Oxford classics, back issues of *Horizon*, offprints from scholarly journals. Picked up two novels of Thomas Love Peacock, F. Waterstone's next door.

The Cottage Book Shop in Penn (Elm Road, Penn, 2632): If by chance you are motoring in the environs of London, check Whittington by Hesketh Pearson and Hugh Kingsmill, both popular litterateurs of the out this shop. Extremely cheap, the stock is '40s whom I collect for slightly

worth at least 20 times its asking price of a

enormously varied, and the shelves unfathomable reasons even to myself. (Botter ammed with much that no one would ever men write very well, though.) In three o men write vory well, though.) In three or four visits over as many years Waterfield's has never had any plastic bags for purchases. Fortunately, I had stopped earlier at chases. Fortunately, I had stopped earlier at the Bodleian Library, which anyone in Oxford should visit, and bought — as a gift — one of the handsome Bodleian book bags. Blackwell's (48-51 Broad St., 0865-249111): Most of this Oxford classic's rare stuff is out at Fylicld Manor, which I didn't visit, partly because the second-hand books in town, though desirable to anyone of a scholarly bent, were somewhat dear I was tempted by the Harold Williams' edition of Swift's Tale of a Tub — a favorite author in the standard text — but £15 seemed rather high. Instead I picked up a little paperback pamphlet of Cibbon's Vindication for a pound. Also be sure to seize on the free guide to the second-hand shops of Oxford. Anyone looking for European books should check out Blackwell's very good foreign anguage section. Thornton's (11 Broad St., 0865-24293):

Although this shop enjoys a good reputsities as a scholarly second-hand resource, I found the shop assistants less unhelpful than ignorant, and most of the books out of reach you need a ladder to get to the upper shelves around easily. One also feels a bit like an intruder here; on the history floor the clerks were clearly more interested in their own correspondence than in helping an Ameri-can find the letters of Edward Gibbon. Swift's Turl Cash Bookshop (3 The Turl. 0865-240241): This proved a real find. The place looks stuffy and forbidding, but the manager was pleasant, didn't bother me and there were a good half-dozen books was happy to acquire: Julian Symons biography of his brother A. J. Symons (known for The Quest for Corvo), Johnson's England (a two volume set of essays on the 18th century), an English first of Italo Svevo's As a Man Grows Older, a pocket edition of Clarendon's history. The prices were fair, but the store takes cash only, so make sure you've stopped at the bank

By Jill Tweedle

subscribed to this view and its knee-jerk corollary: that country people, though certainly crammed with all kinds of age-old wisdoms, tended to have one large and regrettable lacuna — the proper preservation of their own homes. It was a well known fact (was it that in your glossy magazines. Windows set against howling north-easterly gales. Streams well away from a house do not come knocking at the door during Hurricane Charley. Those ancestral builders knew a thing or two after all and so do their not?) that country cottages were descendants.

They know

"They don't know what they've So, in the interests of survival, got," I used to wail to London friends. "Imaginel They've hidden So far, I have resisted the the beams under gruesome tiles. with carpet and line. They've put radiators across the panelling, they've filled in the inglenook, they've pulled off the thatch. They've pebble-dashed the walls!"

country cottage should look, inside and out. killer, everything that is a visual drawback is a life-saver and you Until recently, I unhesitatingly can stuff that in your glossy

ruined by country folk.

For a start, their ancestors often built the cottages in the wrong, place, cheek by jowl with others instead of in desirable isolation, uncarpeted stone, slate or brick. instead of in desirable isolation and, on top of that, positioned them in the wrong way, with their windows perversely averted from The View. Thank goodness, then, that they had had no choice but; natural building materials and so could hardly help but produce a thing of beauty. Which is (come nearer, so I can talk behind my hand) more than can be said of their descendants. I mean, do they cherish those brick or quarry slate floors, those wonderful atone or the liver; that beams are a short cut to permanent brain damage, that the costs an arm and a leg to keep going and roses-round-the-door mean entrance and exits floors, those wonderful atone or trick floors set you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic seizures; that bare pegged-oak boards require endless polishing and, besides, tell you up for arthritic s floors, those wonderful atone or through a gauntlet of angry bees. pargetted or wattle and daub They know from long and bitter those thatched roofs? Do they hell! are choc-a-bloc with original sins

temptation to order carpets, insu-lating tiles, sheets of inglenook-filling chipboard. Old brainwashing dies hard and some must sacrifice their all to consorvation. But I'll tell you one thing. They've pebble-dashed the walls!"
And to sympathetic squeaks of outrage, we would settle down to exchange horror stories on Descritions I Have Seen. What? No!

You wish to lay the ghost of rural notatigue, visit a Londoner in a bleak, cold, damp, draughty, purist time-warp. And when the blood congeals, move on to a real Yes, and what's more . . . country woman's country cottage.

Unbelieveable! Quiet, warm, cosy, functional, with a double-glazed-cedarwood-vestibule round the door.



A tale of

a tub

By Martin Walker In Moscow

disco that only opened at midnight

All payments were, of course, in

diplomats returning to their posts

and went on till dawn.

er leans in the boutiques.

serencly all around us.

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Vietnam, and Suicida, before he

was finally executed for his excesses, only symbolised the every-day mindless horror of what was then called the "Secret War" in

then called the "Secret War" in Central America.
Today it is a public war and the Congress's \$100 million is being boosted by another secret \$400 million from the CIA, according to the Senate Democratic leader Rob-

By the end of Dickey's racy narrative the reader is left baffled as to how the most powerful country in the world has allowed a key plank of its foreign policy to depend on such an ineffectual bunch of thugs.

Noam Chomsky's ambitious and wide ranging book comes in just

wide ranging book comes in just where Dickey leaves off. He pulls into a fascinating and coherent picture not just Reagan's contras in Nicaragua, but the foreign policy which underlies the new destructive "aid" feeding similar unwinnable wars in Angola and

ert Byrd.

## Declamations of Wangh,

ON THE cover of his book Auberon Waugh appears, glass of port in hand, leaning against the column of a small gazebo while behind him our great institutions burn. The tothe ground by the the classes, wimmin, problem in the Britain of and National Franching band of present civilised English control of the column are beleaguered by a second workers, Jews, blacks, the proletariat and, above all, Shirley Williams, whom he holds responsible for all the above. What chance would an interviewer from the Guardian stand

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against such a man? To take him seriously is to invite the accusation of predictable humourless-ness. But is he to be dismissed as nothing more than a venial hack, or a joke, if something of a bad joke?

"Well, one does ham it up," he says when asked if he really means what he writes. But yes, he does mean it, mostly. A collection of his Spectator articles is published this month. Taken together, they make a pretty unpalatable read — splenetic, snobbish, nasty, arrogant — essentially serious but lightly disguised with an icing of jokes.

"One," as he would say, was in

two minds about whether to meet sion he tolorates. him or just to write what "one" thought about him. Disarmingly charming, I was warned. Indeed he is affable enough, polite, a little shy, certainly not flerce. His voice, clipped and precise, is studiedly old fashioned — a voice from the BBC sound archives. Interviewing him in the tiny office of the Literary Roview, the magazine he now edits, in a room full of his

young staff was not easy.
"Certainly I see proletarian culwhere proletarian appetites are prevailing. It's not a capitalist conspiracy to give them pap. If they wanted something else they'd be given it. Of course one protects one's own appetites and amuse-ments. A docker in Liverpool wants more of what he likes he says waving his hands in the air. (Is the anachronism of the

Liverpool docker deliberate?)
He is the elitist who dares to speak its name. Waugh is no longer a maverick, but he has the nerve to write down what is being said over a hundred influential dinner tables at night in London. What he prints boldly is to be heard in the bars and on the terraces of the House of Commons among Tory back benchers of the onfish tendency. The wiser among the rightwing establishment may moderate their tones in public, but Waugh prints what they only dare to say privately among them-

laugh with him as he writes that the poor, for they are mostly himself or not, so long as he keeps funny — but by the end of the book imbeciles and idlers. Government on shocking the readers, Facts are there isn't much to laugh at. The must save the elite from the few and far between in his pieces underlying smugness about his clutches of the ignorant nusses. Good Christians need only look to their own private salvation and not worry about the plight of others. All government spending is "I like to stand against the folly; the money always fetches up prevailing orthodoxy," he says, in the purses of the social workers and not the poor. Interfering with

tion. Long live the past. "But I am not a political person," ter failing." He curls his lip and all. One doesn't like to hear stupid Anatomy of Britain by Auberon mimics as he says: "They talk of people holding one's views." He Waugh is published by Firethrorn Idealism, wanting to Create a says he detects himself, as a result. Press, £9.95.

#### By Polly Toynbee

on Better Britania for many on Better Britania Shirley Williams in Of the last detestation. He may body I shall seek to punish, """ body I shall seek to punish, "urment, humiliate and ridicule this loathsome pig-headed woman for the damage she has done to her country." His excuse is her time as a education Minister when she closed the last few grammar schools.

"She removed." he writes. "any

"She removed," he writes, "any prospect the working class child might ever have had of improving maelf, escaping from the miserworkers' create for themselves wherever they have the upper hand." But there is more to his loathing than a laudable if unexpected concern for the welfare of working class children.

"Yes," he admits, she is a symbol for him. "She has done more harm to this country than Hitler." How? "She symbolises Decent, Reasonable, Middle-of-the-Road England, believing truth lies in compromise and common sense. And they always get it wrong. She has that ghastly sincere way of talking. I can't stand it." Would he have hated her as much if she'd been a the children, unjust though that man? "No, probably not." The may be." moderates, he says, are the ones ho hates. Extremists of any persua-



"There's no doubt her view is a Nicer, Kinder, Cosier view, where hate - only a man rather pleased problems have solutions and the with himself, complacent in his world can be made a Better Place." He sneers as he speaks and goes on to imply there is something so much more noble about facing the harsh reality of a world where harsh reality of a world where harsh reality of a world where a "practitioner of the vituperative as "practitioner of the vituperative as "practitioner of the vituperative as "practicular his range of He sneers as he speaks and goes on and only a tiny bow.

income tax again."

The book's blurb says Waugh's vocabulary of insults consists or work "invites comparison with that of Jonathan Swift". But he that of Jonathan Swift". But he disgusting, odious, repulsive, hidtradition of British journalism - eous and goodie-goodie. the professional "controversialist." Of course, his journalism looks It doesn't matter what he says, worse collected together, for it is doesn't matter how true or false it frequently repetitious—same jokes, himself or not, so long as he keeps funny - but by the end of the book - not, I suspect, from any endemic own cultural values leaves a nasty

confuse his prejudices. "I like to stand against the wears off, casting himself in a somewhat heroic mould. But, after seven man's natural inequality is ab- years of Conservative Govern- seedy sort of man, who, despite surd, dangerous and impossible. ment, his views have become very cverything, seemed to want to nearly the prevailing orthodoxy of please. His friends tell me that he nearly the prevailing orthodoxy of the present establishment. "Yes," he says, "it is rather less funny to he claims, perversely. "I have a say what I say now. Seeing my and it only adds cowardice to his hutred of all politicians. They are views appear in Sun and News catalogue of vices. all mad. All have a serious character of the World leaders is no fun at Another Voice, an Alternative

becoming increasingly liberal in recent articles, snobbery driving him away from his allies, recoiling in disgust from his own supporters. He is The Spectator's figure-head, its jester, and The Spectator. like him, represents the old fashioned Christian reactionary right, rather than the "radical" right of Thatcher, Tebbit and the Institute of Economic Affairs. The reactionaries now, however, have become so triumphant and extreme that there is little to separate them from the "radicals" except a snobbish distaste for Poujadist shopkeepers from Grantham.

He lives for half the week in a large mansion in Somerset, which has not one but eight wine cellars. He plans to retire when the cellars are full, in five years or so. He has four children and a wife who, he says, takes no particular exception to his writings. (He appears in this book to be broadly in favour of marital rape and wife-beating.) He attacks anything to do with

feminism. "If you scratch me hard enough, you might find that I do think it better for family life for a man to go out to work and for his wife to stay at home and look after

An English gentleman is what he aspires to be, and he writes frequently of that state. He boasts of his inheritance of blue blood from the ancient line of Herborts on his mother's side. But most of his readers must be more keenly father's side. He uffects his father's views — the snobbery, the Catholicism, the hatred of the unsmart, and the socially and culturally inferior. Evelyn Waugh was perhaps Britain's greatest novelist this century. He was a tortured. self-hating man, revealing epi-sodes of madness in one book, all of chaviour - the wound that powered the bow.

Poor Bron is but a Randolph to B Winston. He apes the outward bluster, the obnoxious views, the religion, the snobbery, the devotion to an ancient regime of which he was a member. But underneath, on the evidence of his writings, one suspects there is no tortured selfobnoxiousness. No wounds here,

next breath he says: "I'm really buggered if they go and put up the income tax again."

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Moholy-Nagy, Gropius, Gabo, reuer were so dismayed by the lack of encouragement, they ceived in Britain that they a moved on to America quickly revolutionise architecture and

Others like Fechenbach and F. H. K. Henrion whose belligerent, attention-grabbing posters are among the show's major redisco eries, were either ignored totally or diverted into academia where they spluttered away pleasantly but impotently.

Thus the final observation made by this dark and fertile show is not that much talent was saved but that a great opportunity was wast-

Art in Exile at the Camden Arts Centre, Arkwright Road, London NW3, until Oatober 5.

#### Driven to the arms of a devil

THEATRE by Michael Billington

ANY lingering suspicion that Alan Ayckbourn is a boulevard light-weight should be ruthlessly dispelled by Woman In Mind at the Vaudeville. It is about female frustration, despair, and madness and shows its heroine torn between reality and fantasy, God and the Devil. Yet. without Vaudeville. It is about female frustration, despair, and madness and shows its heroine torn between reality and fantasy, God and the Devil. Yet. without trivialising its subject, it also manages to be very funny. Much improved since its Scarborough

a garden-rake. In the real world, a garden-rake. In the real world, she is tormented by the insufferable smugness of her vicar-husband, the lousy cooking and paranormal enthusiasms of her sister-in-law, and the unbroken silence of her son, who is part of a Trappist order in Hemel Hemptand

After her concussion, she is prey visitations from a fantasyfamily for whom she is the perfect wife, mother, and sister, Britain's leading historical novelist and a cherished figure to be feted with Dom Perignon 1978 in mid-morning. What makes the play technically adventurous and spiritually unnerving is that Ayckbourn allows the two worlds to collide as lows the two worlds to collide as Susan finally spirals into total

madness.
As our leading feminist dramaing about what happens to women when they are made to feel redundant as wives and mothers. "Sex". Susan says to her husband, "was once something we did together like gardening — now I have to do

that on my own as well."

Much of the play's comedy springs from the vivid hideousness of Susan's surroundings: the unspeakable husband who has neglected her for the sake of a 60page history of the parish since cracked the problem of the surreal slaw who sprinkles Earl Grey tea our most popular playwright has on the omelettes and who puts a written a savage tragi-comedy visiting doctor to flight at the about the light that failed.

great Indian epic, the

Claude Carriere version arrives in

For the average Western specta-tor it is not always easy: in Bhase's

compressed version, the dynastic

rivalry between the Kauravas and

the Pandavas sometimes seems as inextricable as the York-Lancaster

ty coming to terms with the figure

Britain next year.

A rich reward

looks. It also works far better on a

proscenium-stage than in-the-round because it is easier to establish the sheer otherness of Susan's alternative world: Roger

Glossop's set and David Hersey's lighting create a sinister-seduc-tive, J. M. Barrie-ish ambience full

Julia McKenzie also brings to Susan an extraordinary mixture of

shrewdness, longing, hope, despair, Her face offers a total map of

her emotions: one sees the light

dim in her eyes as her son cruelly

tells her she would have ruined

any daughter as well. It is the

performance of her career; and she

Jarvis as the cardiganed vicar who

talks in italics as if he has a portable pulpit and by Peter Blythe as the secretly admiring

doctor who hides his emotions

Maybe Ayckbourn (who directs

with utter assurance) hasn't quite

behind a guilty, nervous bray.

admirably abetted by Martin

SOMETHING rich and strange is currently taking place at the Drill Hall in Chenies Street: a production by Tara Arts of The Broken Jatinder Verma's production is worth seeing, however, partly be-Thigh, written in the 4th century BC by the Sanskrit playwright Bhasa and itself based upon the conventional expectations of draconventional expectations of dra-ma: this is narrative theatre in ma: this is narrative theatre in which a story is told through non-realistic style, it offers a radical alternative to most of the theatre available in London. It is also, frankly, a good way of familiarising oneself with the story before the Peter Brook-Jean Claude Carriers retrieved the story of the boy's militant father, Duryodhana, "the one who is difficult to conquer". Dirryodhana is constantly at war Duryodhana is constantly at war with his cousins, the Pandavas. He strives with one of them for the hand of the beautiful Draupadi, sets up a game of dice in which he strips them of their fortune and brings about their 13-year exile in a forest and eventually provokes the destruction of the earth in a

conflict in Shakespeare's Henry VI would be to many Indian audiences (a small genealogical chart in the programme might not be a bad idea). I also still have difficultitanic, climactic battle. In Western terms, it is closer to Homer than Euripides. But Verma's production is surprisingly successful in conveying the epic arch of the story in a simple setting: a stony circle ringed by of Krishna who is both an allknowing god full of wise saws ("A man lives a long life before realising the full extent of his dharma") and also someone who rocks and banners. For three hours (give or take the odd longueur) you are kept watching: above all, you are reminded that intervenes directly in the climactic outside Western realism there is a war of destruction between the rival families. Fate determines the world elsewhere.

WITH THE CONTRAS, by Chris-TERVENTION IN CENTRAL AMERICA, by Noam Chomsky, Pluto, £5.95.

WHEN President Reagan addressed the nation recently to rally Congressional support for his \$100 million in open support for Nicaragua's contras he said on television: "I ask for your help in remembering our history in Cen-tral America so we can learn from the mistakes of the past. Too often our government appeared indifferent when democratic values were manages to be very funny. Much improved since its Scarborough premiere last year, it goes even further than Just Between Ourselves in pushing Ayckbourn's Comedy of Pain to its extremist limits.

Julia McKenzie plays (superbly)
Susan, a middle-aged woman concussed by a blow on the head from a garden-rake. In the real world, will never live in the free Nicara-gua you fought so hard to build?"
President Rengan's speech-writ-ors clearly haven't rend Christo-pher Dickey's detailed and nasty quito astonishing in even airing spiritual issues on the degraded West End stage.

It is a much deeper play than it

account of the US relationship with these pathetic or cruzed indi-

Dickey was the Washington Post's correspondent in the area for nearly four years. In what seems like a strango fascination with the unhoroic he spent much of

## Thugs of

By Victoria Brittain

reveal their lives — Suicide and El Muerto — became his companions. Their records as murderers and torturers with no political ideas or plans are spelt out in appalling descriptive passages. Dickey even went into Nicaragus with them on a destructive foray which nearly cost him his life,

In Miami, Tegucigalpa and Washington, Dickey talked to the men who invented this war. He joined the CIA chief William Casey and his men on a lightning two day trip to their Central American domains.

Later, he listened to the baffled educated Nicaraguan frontmen whom Casey's executives had paid and flattered and lied to about the carly success of their war. Talking about Suicida and his men the leaders of the contras would explain to Dickey that the terrible brutality and killings were a special case "something like My Lni". Dickey knew botter — My Lai only symbolised the everyday horror of

#### Bankrupt in LA

und magnolia."

He knows LA's reputation as

vulgar, trashy and insanely self-indulgent. But he also knows the

real secret, that "you have to give yourself up to LA, body and soul, if

you want to experience the city's

real benefits." And you have to

love its characteristic scent, "a

mixture of motor oil and magno-

For a brief time out in his

fractured life Moorcock lent him-

self to the city which gave him

noisy respite, some money and these unimpeachable fresh letters. In the end he got a Hell's Angel friend to tattoo him with LA's

unofficial motto: FAITH HOPE

By Clancy Sigal

Bournemouth . . punctuated by yuccus, by tiny swimming pools, by yards crowded with bougainvillace LETTERS FROM HOLLYWOOD. by Michael Moorcock, with drawings by Michael Foreman (Harrap, £10.95).

THE only travel writers I trust are those with croatively bad tempers like Paul Theroux or someone like Michael Moorcock who is running away from his troubles. Moorcock. a Guardian fiction prize winner and science fantasy writer, fled to Southern California to escape wives, lawsuits, bankruptcy and

several other London afflictions.
In a series of letters to the writer
J. G. Ballard, he complains, J. G. Ballard, he complains, mosns, groans, lacerates himself and others — and it's terrific entertainment for the reader because throughout he never loses his sharp, shrewd, angry and affectionate eye for the often weird, tacky places he has a genius

Moorcock seems to function best when his back is to the wall. An "imminent bankrupt with two pairs of jeans and a cancelled credit card," like a loose tumble-weed he bounces around the unfashionable but most interesting parts of Los Angeles — San Fernando Valley, Venice beach, West Hollywood — where scuzz and ethnic and criminal and criminally ambitious mingle, sometimes violently, to create "the first real city of the future." (Quite correct-ly, he sees through San Francisco's

While he's writing a script and while he's writing a script and watching a friend die, his sci-fi brain is soaking up LA's maddening, contradictory images: the street dogs howling in the night just before an earthquake, the police helicopters Vietnamising the city by constantly circling overhead, the commercial architecture that always turns out to be ture that always turns out to be "authentic" copies not of some-thing real but of a myth that was created originally in a Hollywood studio, the sun-blasted yet some-how comfortingly wide streets that seem to end up in yet another Moorcock loves LA partly because it exceeds his own most lurid nightmares and yet manages to be "a Midwesterner's dream of a true

Mozambique. With a similar concern to Pres dent Reagan's — of looking back at America — Chomsky concentrates particularly on the background to the US backed wars in El Salvador and Nicaragua. With a wealth of detail, from US policy towards Ho Chi Minh, to the CIA coup in

their nationalist enemies into So

The blockade against Nicaragua, like the US aid to Savimbi in Angola, runs against US trade interests, pushing the country to-wards dependence on the Soviet Union but also, as Chomsky puts it, in favour of a more important US interest which is "to justify an attack against Nicaragua in defence of the Fifth Freedom - the US's freedom to rob and exploit" a key concept in Chomsky's

Guatemala in 1954, he illustrates

the American pattern of turning

thought Chomsky's book will not, like Dickey's, be easy fashionable reading for those who enjoy mocking the outrageous lies and limited perceptions of Reagan's Washing-ton. But in spite of its dense prose it is rich reading for anyone trying to understand how the majority in Congress came to collude with paying for squalid criminals to mutilate and murder teachers, nurses, priests and others organising peasants in Nicaragua for the dreams of education, health and the right to work for yourself.

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## Declamations of Wangh

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bares, social workers, Jews, blacks, the proletariat and, above all, Shirley Williams, whom he holds responsible for all the above. What chance would an inter-

viewer from the Guardian stand against such a man? To take him seriously is to invite the accusa-tion of predictable humourlessness. But is he to be dismissed as nothing more than a venial hack, or a joke, if something of a bad

says when asked if he really means what he writes. But yes, he does mean it, mostly. A collection of his Spectator articles is published this month. Taken together, they make a pretty unpalatable read — splenetic, snobbish, nasty, arrogant — essentially serious but lightly disguised with an icing of jokes.

Sheat a sways get wholg, the hat hat a line of the sample of the stand it." Would he have hated her as much if she'd been a man? "No. probably not." The moderates, he says, are the ones he

"One," as he would say, was in two minds about whether to meet him or just to write what "one" him or just to write what "one" thought about him. Disarmingly charming, I was warned. Indeed he is affable enough, polite, a little shy, certainly not fierce. His voice, clipped and precise, is studiedly old fashioned — a voice from the BBC sound archives. Interviewing him in the tiny office of the Literary Review, the magazine he now edits, in a room full of his now edits, in a room full of his young staff was not easy.
"Certainly I see proletarian culture as a threat," he says. "Every-

where proletarian appetites are prevailing. It's not a capitalist they wanted something else they'd be given it. Of course one protects one's own appetites and amuse-ments. A docker in Liverpool wants more of what he likes sausage and mash and all that . . he says waving his bands in the air. (Is the anachronism of the Liverpool docker deliberate?)

He is the elitist who dares to speak its name. Waugh is no longer a maverick, but he has the nerve to write down what is being dinner tables at night in London.
What he prints boldly is to be heard in the bars and on the terraces of the House of Commons among Tory back benchers of the oafish tendency. The wiser among the rightwing establishment may moderate their tones in public, but

laugh with him as he writes that there is no need to feed or hous the poor, for they are mostly imbeciles and idlers. Government must save the elite from the clutches of the ignorant masses. Good Christians need only look to their own private salvation and not worry about the plight of others. All government spending is folly; the money always fetches up in the purses of the social workers and not the poor, Interfering with All things modern are an abominetion. Long live the past.

"But I am not a political person," hatred of all politicians. They are all mad. All have a serious character failing." He curls his lip and all. One doesn't like to hear stupid mimics as he says: "They talk of people holding one's views." He waugh is pu Idealism, wanting to Create a says he detects himself, as a result, Press, £9.95.

ON THE cover of his book Auberon
Waugh appears, glass of port in hand, leaning against the column of a small gezebo while behind him our great institutions burn.

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"She removed," he writes, "any prospect the working class child might\_ever have bad of improving himself, escaping from the miser-able proletarian rut which 'the workers' create for themselves wherever they have the upper hand." But there is more to his loathing than a laudable if unexpected concern for the welfare of working class children. "Yes," he admits, she is a symbol

for him. "She has done more harm to this country than Hitler." How? "She symbolises Decent, Reasonable, Middle-of-the-Road England, believing truth lies in compromise and common sense. And they always get it wrong. She has that hates. Extremists of any persua-



"There's no doubt her view is a Nicer, Kinder, Cosier view, where problems have solutions and the world can be made a Better Place." He sneers as he speaks and goes on and only a tiny bow. to imply there is something so much more noble about facing the harsh reality of a world where nothing can be improved. In the buggered if they go and put up the income tax again.

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becoming increasingly liberal in recent articles, snobbery driving him away from his allies, recoiling in disgust from his own supporters. He is The Spectator's figurehead, its jester, and The Spectator, like him, represents the old fashioned Christian reactionary right, rather than the "radical" right of Thatcher, Tebbit and the reactionaries now, however, have become so triumphant and extreme that there is little to separate them from the "radicals"— except a snobbish distaste for Poujadist shopkeepers from

Grantham He lives for half the week in a large mansion in Somerset, which has not one but eight wine cellars. are full, in five years or so. He has four children and a wife who, he says, takes no particular exception to his writings. (He appears in this book to be broadly in favour of marital rape and wife-beating.)

He attacks anything to do with feminism. "If you scratch me hard enough, you might find that I do think it better for family life for a ghastly sincere way of talking. I man to go out to work and for his can't stand it." Would he have the children, unjust though that

An English gentleman is what he aspires to be, and he writes frequently of that state. He boasts of his inheritance of blue blood from the ancient line of Herborts on his mother's side. But most of his readers must be more keenly aware of his inheritance on his father's side. He affects his father's views — the snobbery, the Catholi-cism, the hatred of the unsmart, and the socially and culturally inferior. Evelyn Waugh was per-haps Britain's greatest novelist this contury. He was a tortured, self-hating man, revealing epi-sodes of modness in one book, all of which perhaps explained at least a his rude, violent, snobbish pehaviour — the wound that powered the bow.

Poor 'Bron is but a Randolph to a Winston. He apes the outward bluster, the obnoxious views, the religion, the snobbery, the devotion to an ancient regime of which he was a member. But underneath, on the evidence of his writings, one suspects there is no tortured selfnate — only a man rather pleased with himself, complacent in his obnoxiousness. No wounds here,

He is a disappointment even in the terms of his own writing. He describes himself several times as a "practitioner of the vituperative next breath he says: "I'm really buggered if they go and put up the epithets is mainly limited to the prep school of the 1940s. His vocabulary of insults consists of

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lofty Bauhaus ideals held firmly in his grasp, had to resort in the end to taking photographs of Eten schoolboys and illustrating The Streetmarkets of London.

But if Art in Exile's main ambition was to underline just how much great artistic talent was forced into Britain by the Nazis, it would, I think, have to be deemed unsuccessful. Schwitters is the only major artistic figure to play an important part in the show. Kokoschka, Heartfield, Gropius, Bruer, Moholy-Nagy make little more than token appearance.

Instead the organisers have de liberately concentrated on the less give Art in Exile its dark, mongrel air. Bits and pieces of achieve ment, whittled out of bits and pieces of careor, have been raked out of the wurtime rubble.



Fechenback's caricature of Hitler, 1948.

Moholy-Nagy, Gropius, Och lack of encouragement, they ceived in Britain that they moved on to America quickly revolutionise architecture and

Others like Fechenbach, and H. K. Henrion whose belligerent, attention-grabbing posters are among the show's major rediscrive eries, were either ignored will or diverted, into academia, where they spluttered away pleasar ut impotently.
Thus the final observation mad but impotently.

by this dark and fertile show is not that much talent was saved but that a great sales and saved but that a great opportunity was was

Art in Exile at the Camden Arts Centre, Arkwright Road, Landon NW3, until October 5.

#### Driven to the arms of a devil

**THEATRE by Michael Billington** 

ANY lingering suspicion that Alan Ayckbourn is a boulevard lightweight should be ruthlessly dispelled by Woman In Mind at the Vaudeville. It is about female frustration, despair, and madness and shows its heroine torn between reality and fantasy, God and the Devil. Yet, without trivialising its subject, it also manages to be very funny, Much improved since its Scarborough premiere last year, it goes even further than Just Between Ourselves in pushing Ayckbourn's Comedy of Pain to its extremist limits.

Prospect of her dessert.

Ayckbourn is clearly writing about what drives women to distraction. But just as Way Upstream was a fable about evil, so this play, I believe, is really about the failings of modern religion. Susan's husband has turned the church into a specialised antiquarian interest. Her sister-in-law is the victim of psychic self-delusion and believes her dead husband is inscribing messages on her ceiling. And Susan's son represents a cranky, narcissistic sectarianism. Failed by God's representatives and Christian love, Susan literally

Comedy of Pain to its extremist limits.

Julia McKenzie plays (superbly)
Susan, a middle-aged woman concussed by a blow on the head from a garden-rake. In the real world, she is tormented by the insufferable smugness of her vicar-husband, the lousy cooking and paranormal enthusiasms of her sister-in-law, and the unbroken silence of her son, who is part of a Trappist order in Hemel Hempstead.

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stead,
After her concussion, she is prey to visitations from a fantasy-family for whom she is the perfect wife, mother, and sister, Britain's of receding poplars, marble statuleading historical novelist and a cherished figure to be feted with favourite set, a garden, turns from Dom Perignon 1978 in mid-morn-ing. What makes the play techni-mare. cally adventurous and spiritually unnerving is that Ayckbourn allows the two worlds to collide as Susan finally spirals into total

As our leading feminist drama-tist, Ayckbourn is obviously writing about what happens to women when they are made to feel redundant as wives and mothers. "Sex", Susan says to her husband, "was

Susan says to her husband, "was once something we did together like gardening — now I have to do that on my own as well."

Much of the play's comedy springs from the vivid hideousness of Susan's surroundings: the unspeakable husband who has neglected her for the sake of a 60-page history of the parish sizes. page history of the parish since 1386 and the appalling sister-in-law who sprinkles Earl Grey tea law who sprinkles Earl Grey tea on the omelettes and who puts a visiting doctor to flight at the about the light that failed.

Claude Carriere version arrives in

tor it is not always easy: in Bhasa's

compressed version, the dynastic

rivalry between the Kauravas and

the Pandavas sometimes seems as

inextricable as the York-Lancaster

conflict in Shakespeare's Henry VI

would be to many Indian audiences (a small genealogical chart

in the programme might not be a bad idea). I also still have difficul-

For the average Western specta-

Britain next year.

A rich reward

Susan's alternative world: Roger

Glossop's set and David Hersoy's lighting create a sinister-seduc-tive, J. M. Barrie-ish ambience full

Julia McKenzie also brings to

Susan an extraordinary mixture of

shrewdness, longing, hope, despair. Her face offers a total map of

her emotions: one sees the light dim in her eyes as her son cruelly

tells her she would have ruined any daughter as well. It is the

performance of her career; and she

Jarvis as the cardiganed vicar who

talks in italics as if he has a

portable pulpit and by Peter

Blythe as the secretly admiring doctor who hides his emotions

Maybe Ayckbourn (who directs

with utter assurance; hasn't quite

cracked the problem of the surrea

climax. What is remarkable is that

behind a guilty, nervous bray.

admirably abetted by Martin

SOMETHING rich and strange is currently taking place at the Drill Hall in Chenies Street: a production by Tara Arts of The Broken Thigh, written in the 4th century BC by the Sanskrit playwright Bhasa and itself based upon the great Indian and the street in the street great Indian epic, the ma: this is narrative theatre in Mahabharata In its epic form and which a story is told through Mahabharata. In its epic form and non-realistic style, it offers a radical alternative to most of the theatre available in London. It is also, frankly, a good way of familiarising oneself with the story before the Peter Brook-Jean which a story is told through language, action, dance and spectacle. The framework is provided by Krishna recounting to the child, Durjaya, the story of the boy's militant father, Duryodhana, "the conquer". Duryodhana is constantly at war with his cousins, the Pandavas Hestrives with one of them for the hand of the beautiful Draupadi, sets up a game of dice in which he strips them of their fortune and brings about their 18-year exile in a forest and eventually provokes the destruction of the earth in a titanic, climactic battle.

In Western terms, it is closer to Verma's production is surprisingly successful in conveying the epic arch of the story in a simple ty coming to terms with the figure of Krishna who is both an all-knowing god full of wise saws ("A man lives a long life before realising the full extent of his dharma") and also someone who setting: a stony circle ringed by rocks and banners. For three hours (give or take the odd dharma") and also someone who intervenes directly in the climactic war of destruction between the rival families. Fats determines the

WITH THE CONTRAS, by Christopher Dickey, Faber, £12.50. TURNING THE TIDE, US IN-TERVENTION IN CENTRAL AMERICA, by Noam Chomsky, Pluto, £5.95.

WHEN President Reagan addressed the nation recently to rally Congressional support for his \$100 million in open support for Nicaragua's contras he said on television: "I ask for your help in remembering our history in Central American Contract of the State of t tral America so we can learn from the mistakes of the past. Too often our government appeared indifferent when democratic values were at risk . . . The young men and women of the democratic resis-tance fight inside Nicaragua today in gruelling mountain and jungle warfare . . Who among us would wariare... Who among us would tell these brave young men and women — your dream is dead, your democratic revolution is over, you will never live in the free Nicara-gua you fought so hard to build?" President Reagan's speech-writ-ers clearly haven't road Christo-pher Dishov's detailed and pasts pher Dickey's detailed and nasty account of the US relationship

Dickey was the Washington Post's correspondent in the area for nearly four years. In what seems like a strange fascination with the unheroic he spent much of his time with the contras in

with these pathetic or crazed indi-

#### Thugs of war

**By Victoria Brittain** 

reveal their lives — Suicide and El Muerto — became his companions. Their records as murderers and torturers with no political ideas or plans are spelt out in appalling descriptive passages. Dickey even went into Nicaragua with them on a destructive foray which nearly cost him his life.

In Miami, Tegucigalpa and Washington, Dickey talked to the men who invented this war. He joined the CIA chief William Casey and his men on a lightning two day trip to their Central American domains.

Later, he listened to the baffled educated Nicaraguan frontmen whom Casey's executives had paid and flattered and lied to about the carly success of their war. Talking about Suicida and his men the leaders of the contras would explain to Dickey that the terrible brutality and killings were a special case "something like My Lai". Dickey knew better - My Lai only

#### Bankrupt in LA

By Clancy Sigal

LETTERS FROM HOLLYWOOD. by Michael Moorcock, with drawings by Michael Foreman (Harrap, £10.95).

THE only travel writers I trust are those with creatively bad tempers like Paul Theroux or someone like Michael Moorcock who is running away from his troubles. Moorcock, Guardian fiction prize winner and science fantasy writer, fled to Southern California to escape wives, lawsuits, bankruptcy and several other London afflictions.

In a series of letters to the writer G. Ballard, he complains, moans, groans, lacerates himself and others — and it's terrific entertainment for the reader because throughout he never loses his sharp, shrewd, angry and affectionate eye for the often weird, tacky places he has a genius

for ending up in:

Moorcock seems to function best when his back is to the wall. An "imminent bankrupt with two pairs of jeans and a cancelled credit card," like a loose tumbleweed he bounces around the unfashionable but most interesting unfashionable but most interesting parts of Los Angeles — San Fernando Valley, Venice beach, West Hollywood — where scuzz and ethnic and criminal and criminally ambitious mingle, sometimes violently, to create "the first real city of the future." (Quite correctly, he sees through San Francisco's ways anothery) While he's writing a script and

watching a friend die, his sci-fi brain is soaking up LA's maddening, contradictory images: the street dogs howling in the night just before an earthquake, the police helicopters Vietnamising the city by constantly circling overhead, the commercial architec-ture that always turns out to be "authentic" copies not of some-thing real but of a myth that was created originally in a Hollywood studio, the sun-blasted yet some-how comfortingly wide streets that seem to end up in yet another version of someone else's fantasy. Moorcock loves LA partly because it exceeds his own most lurid nightmares and yet manages to be homeland and . . . an extended

Bournemouth . . . punctuated by yuccas, by tiny swimming pools, by yards crowded with bougainvillaea

vulgar, trashy and insunely self-indulgent. But he also knows the real secret, that "you have to give yourself up to LA, body and soul, if you want to experience the city's real benefits." And you have to love its characteristic scent, "a mixture of motor oil and magno-

fractured life Moorcock lent him-self to the city which gave him noisy respite, some money and these unimpeachable fresh letters. In the end he got a Hell's Angel friend to tattoo him with LA's unofficial motto: FAITH HOPE ANXIETY.

viet clients.

The blockade against Nicareg
like the US aid to Savimbi Angola, runs against US tr interests, pushing the country wards depondence on the Sou Union but also, as Chemsky p it, in favour of a more import US interest which is "to justify and magnolia."
He knows LA's reputation as

attack against Nicaragua defence of the Fifth Freedom -US's freedom to rob and exploit a key concept in Chomal thought. Chomsky's book will not,

Vietnam, and Suicida, before h

was finally executed for his excesses, only symbolised the every day mindless horror of what we then called the "Secret War" i

then called the "Secret War" i Central America. Today it is a public war and the Congress's \$100 million is belied boosted by another secret \$41 million from the CIA, according the Senate Democratic leader Resert Reserved.

ert Byrd.

By the end of Dickey's renarrative the reader is left baff as to how the most power country in the world has allowed to the state of the

country in the world has allow key plank of its foreign policidepend on such an ineffectunch of thugs.

Noam Chomsky's ambitious wide ranging book comes in where Dickey leaves off. He pinto a fascinating and cohe picture not just Reagan's con in Nicaragus, but the for policy which underlies the destructive "aid" feeding sin unwinnable wars in Angola Mozambique.

With a similar concern to P

dent Reagan's — of looking bac US relations with all Cer

America — Chomsky concentr. particularly on the background the US backed wars in El Salva

and Nicaragua. With a wealth detail, from US policy towards Chi Minh, to the CIA coup

Guatemala in 1954, he illustra

the American pattern of turn their nationalist enemies into

Dickey's, be easy fashionable re ing for those who enjoy mack the outrageous lies and limi perceptions of Reagan's Washi ton. But in spite of its dense pr it is rich reading for anyone try to understand how the majority Congress came to collude w paying for squalid criminals mutilate and murder teach nurses, priests and oth organising peasants in Nicara; for the dreams of education, hes and the right to work for yours

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27 Q-R3 Q-B1 29 N-Q4 Resigns

By Rixl Markus

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**Botham** 

IAN BOTHAM'S former manager,

eccentric millionaire entrepreneur Tim Hudson has made a surprise

bid to take not only Botham but

his friend and county colleague Viv Richards to Old Trafford in a

deal involving £100,00 of Hudson's

£16,000 at Somerset.

not the game.

CRICKET

At stake was £9,500 for second place, £4,250 for third, and £2,400 for fourth. Essex duly took their sarnings to £31,500 for the week when they rattled off a routine seven-wicket win against Glamorgan to take second place. Rather fittingly it was the captain Graham Gooch who did the damage, first with the ball — three for 28 as Glamorgan collapsed from 65 for one to 136 all out - and then hitting 61 in the Easex reply. Touching, too, that Keith Fletcher

place at Trent Bridge between Notts and Northants, who at one point led the table but who had no won since July 27.

And it was no better on Sunday as they were beaten by seven wickets. Northants made a stendy start through Wayne Larkins and Robert Bailey, but were restricted by the Notts captain Clive Rice, who took four for 33, the fifth time he has taken four this season, feat which earns him a bonus of £400. Notts, too, made a good start in pursuit of the 180 needed to win, and with Paul Johnson scoring 79, made it with 15 balls to

play brought the goals. An exception was their third goal, scored at the beginning of the second half. Pearce played the ball up to Webb on the left, and he squared it to Clough, who was waiting in the Villa penalty area. Clough made space in the classic manner by letting the ball run, and then scored with a precise shot

four for 23.

Walker at centre-back has already been noted by Bobby Robson. Forest have much to do before they can be regarded as possible

Nottingham Forest: Sution; Fleming, Pearce, Walter, Metgod, Bowyer (Mile, 74min), Carr, Webb, Clough, Birlies, Campbell, Asten Villaz Poole; Ksown, Dorigo, Evans, Elliott,

County Cricket Championship

charged, but from too far back, Nick Faldo remained an ominous presence, Bernhard Langer, as ever, was lurking, while Brown, bending his Oxfam frame like a question mark over the ball was the unlikely direct challenger to Norman, the enterne of blood Norman, the epitome of blond Australian athletic excellence. For Brown the pivotal holes were the long 14th and short 15th. In trouble all the way at the 14th, he holed a 20-foot putt for his birdie, which took him to 10 under, following it with a 25-footer for another at the 15th. Now he had to finish no worse than par over the demanding Sunningdale Old clos-ing holes and the only danger came at the last. He hit his second into a bunker

by the green and the temptation to remember Bob Tway, who holed out from a rather more difficult osition to rob Norman of the US PGA Championship was irresistible. Brown, however, was not that lucky, producing a fine shot to four feet and holing for the play-

should make the winning hit.

The battle for third place took

served Turner, in what turned out to be his valedictory speech. The paradox of the afternoon, was that Forest's most inventive movements produced near misses - the closest when Metgod clipped the bar — and their more ordinary

champions, but they have plenty of promise.

Birch, Hunt, Stainned, Thomps Referes: G. Countney (Spec

From the moment the Villa defence stood and watched Carr

Extra cool Norman takes the title The last nine holes were worthy of any important tournament in the world. Severiano Ballesteros

THE natural order of things was emphatically restated at Sunningdale on Sunday when Greg Norman, the world's best goifer this year, won the Panasonic European Open. In an extraordinary play-off, Ken Brown was defeated, almost literally, by the sounds of silence.

Reth was had finished 11-undermoment he hit it, brought gasps of astonishment from the spectators. It bounced short, ran up and pulled to a halt 25 feet away. Brown, from the middle of the fakway, hit what looked like a good second that got no sort of bounce forward at all, leaving him a tiny chip for his third, which bumbled away left, six feet from the whole.

Both men had finished 11-underpar, 278, and set off down the long first on the play-off. But Brown, faced eventually with a six-foot birdie putt to take the affair further, lined it up, stood to the ball and was apparently about to hit it when he backed away. To

Both men had finished 11-under-

GOLF: David Davies on the European Open at Sunningdale

hasn't it gone quiet here?"

Norman doubled up with laughter. "That, under the circumstances, was the most remarkable thing anyone has said to me on a golf course," he said later. "It was weird. I don't think you ever hear silence, not if you're concentrating properly."

In an afternoon full of dramatic

own money, writes Mike Selvey.
At the moment, Richards and
the West Indian Test player Joel Norman's astonishment he looked up, grinned, and said: "Gosh, hasn't it gone quiet here?"

Norman doubled up with laughter. "That, under the circumstances, was the most remarkable Garner, both Somerset players, have been told that their contracts with the county will not be re-newed after this season, and Botham has said that if they go, then he is prepared to move as And Hudson is ready to try to

oust Cedric Rhoades, the Lanca-shire club chairman for the past 22 years, to bring "the two greatest cricketers in the world" to Lanca-Hudson says he is prepared to offer both players £25,000 a year. Botham is said to be on a basic

In an afternoon full of dramatic

golf, the play-off contributed its full share. If the little boy among the spectators wearing a green

SOCCER: David Lacey - Nottingham Forest 6, Aston Villa 0

have to be concluded that it is the critics who need to be revitalised,

Having seen Forest dispose of Charlton 4-0, win a marvellous game at West Ham 2-1 and on Saturday crush an enfeebled Aston Villa 6-0, following which Villa dismissed their manager, Graham Turner, it is not difficult to reach the conclusion that Brian Clough's latest team are the most refreshing side to head the League since Malcolm Allison's Manchester City won the title in 1968.

In Forest there is the same spread of youthful innovation

have been such a sheer delight to watch.

Naturally, when people think of Forest they think of Brian Clough, who in the last 11 years has led the club to triumphs in the club to triumphs in the Cup, but has won nothing since 1980. Clough is best known now for periodical outbursts of polemic in the popular newspapers. Not since Ibsen has one man found ghosts so consistently rewarding.

If that is what editors believe sells newspapers then so be it.

Masters visor had been at Augusta earlier this year he would have

THOSE critics rushing to condemn the 1986-7 football season as unworthy of their labours should at least reserve judgment until they have watched Nottingham Forest, the new First Division leaders. If they still feel the same then it will have to be concluded that it is the

have been such a sheer delight to

Serving up a refreshing Forest picnic

Norman took the first prize of £35,000 together with a bonus of £50,000 for winning the title while being the reigning Open cham-pion.

lubs to have broken Merseysido's stranglehold on the League cham-pionship since 1975, and each have

won the European Cup in the process. There the similarities end. Be that as it may Villa, suffering

from a mixture of evils — injuries, loss of form, loss of confidence — are already in danger of going the way of West Bromwich Albion last

season. Albion's defence caved in

during the autumn, and relegation

between Clough and most of his contemporaries. Had Hodge enter-

tained such thoughts while he was

still at Forest then far from playing for England in Stockholm, where they lost 1-0, he would have been lucky to watch the highlights on television.

Northants were squeezed out of fourth place by Sussex, whose 15-run win at Edgbaston put them level on points with six away wins against Northants' two. They can thank a third wicket stand of 117 by Imran Khan (89) and Paul Parker (51) for their total of 216 for six, which in spite of the efforts of Alvin Kallicharran (44) and

Surrey made up for their loss against Hampshire the previous week by beating Leicester by two wickets in a low-scoring game at the Oval, while the new champions hammered Lancashire by eight wickets, with Kevan James taking

There were 487 sixes hit this year, 23 less than last, and the £400 prize for the most by an individual went to Ian Botham who hit 23, eight more than his (ex) teammate Viv Richards. The £250 for the fastest televised 50 an ironic award given that one reason for John Player's withdrawtime - is shared jointly by Clive took 49 balls,

Cricket: John Player League Final Table

hemshire (12) 16 10

Hero the ioanna By Norman Shrapnel

THE PIANOPLAYERS, by Anthony Burgess (Hutchinson,

WITH musicals made out of almost anything to hand, Anthony Burgess — who better entitled, with three symphonies as well as 30 novels to his name? — reverses the process and turns music into words. (Not entirely: The air of light authority, con amore Pianoplayers ends with a page or two of unassimilated music score, which almost suggests that future Burgess students may need a keyboard and basic strings as part of their critical equipment.)

Nothing highbrow, though, about this new novel. It has hit on a brilliant theme, low and heroic at the same time. Planoplayers not to be confused with planists. a superior but less exclusive performing breed — were the tireless, iron-fingered pros who thumped out the musical accompaniments in the old silent movie-houses, unsung Paderewskis of a thousand

down-town Gems and Majestics. Superior cinemas had orchestras, but how could an orchestra respond with the necessary immediacy? As the pianoplaying hero remarks, they could still be tastefully rendering Mendelsechn's Spring Song when the prairie was covered with anow.

He is teaching his daughter the true art on the never-tuned fleapit joanna. "Here's a chord you can't consolation, the planoplayer produces a grandson who turns out to burst dams, thunderstorms, the be a famous planist.

telling her old man to bugger off

and KR7, B at QB2, Ns at KR5 and KR8, P at KB4, Black K at K3, Q at QN3, Bs at QN1 and QN8, N at QB1, out of the house and not come back Pa at Q2 and KN3. Male in two. 1 K-Q2 (threat 2 QxP) Q-Q3 2 B-N3, never no more." So far, never a wrong note. Another twist of the nostalgia peg? or If N-Q3 2 Q-K5, or If B-Q3 2 Q-B4, or If PxN 2 P-B5, or If P-Q3 2 Q-K4. without ever cloying, exactly suits the material and the whole thing

IF THE young juniors who did so well at Lloyds Bank fulfil their promise and protential, Britain will have another generation of strong grandmasters in the 1990s. Michael Adams (51/2/9) obtained his second IM norm at age 14 is kept alive by particularity with a round to spare, and as in the exact names, precise dates, essen-British Championship looked aiready tial professional equipment like those versatile stock chords: "CEG sharp. DFA sharp. Make it on any note, good for ghost music, Frankenstein, that sort of thing." But the baddies, the dreaded Talkies, were drawing near — the Singing Fool, the backstage musicals, the canned voice of the new Michael Adams (England)

age. Almost overnight, the — Devaki Prasad (India) Sicilian, Scheveningen (Lioyda Bank 1988) pianoplayers were dead, Literally in the case of Burgess's Billy, who passes away in a non-stop mara-2 N-KB3 P-K3 4 N×P N-KB3 6 P-KN4 N-B3 6 B-K3 N-N3 10 P×P P×P 1 P-K4 P-QB4 3 P-Q4 PxP thon in which all the tunes of his past life pass beneath his calloused 5 N-Q83 P-Q3 fingertips. Monastery Garden, Bye Bye Blackbird, Ode to Joy with 7 P-N5 N-Q2 9 P-KR4 P-Q4 12 0-0-0 0-0 free variations, the lot. Q-K2 B-K2 14 N(4)-N5 P-QR3 16 NxN Q-R4 What a way to go - and, you'd 5 BXP NXB have thought, a natural ending for 17 N(N6)-B3 BxN 19 P-R3 QR-B1 the novel too. But then Burgess

18 NxB B-K3 20 P-R5 Q-KB4 22 N-K4 B-B5 does his best to spoil it all with an ill-fitting coda relating the arts of music to those of love. If it's any Black seems to have active play for his pawn, but White combines attec with defence to increase his advantage.

Keats (8, 5).

worth the title. In the very first round he outplayed the Indian No 2 Prasad, who has just become Commonwealth

Chess

Bridge THE basic reason for my admiration of Zia Mahmoud is that he plays bridge in champion, in a game of impressive strategic and tactical control. Watch the white KRP and QB take command clearly more skilful and more successful, we speak the same language at the bridge table. of the long diagonal, the dance of white's KR, and the final sacrificial Here is an example of Zia's great skill and remarkable table presence. Fast dealt at love all

By Leonard Barden

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any defence (by V. Baja, 1979).

White mates in four moves, against

White K at K3, Q at Q4, Rs at QR6

Solution No 1923:

25 R-84 Q-N3 27 RxR BxR

31 B-B3 Q-K3

33 NxP ch K-K2 34 Q-Q2 P-R4 35 R-R1

R2 40 P-N6 PxP 41 RxBI

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Q7 ch) 38 Q-Q6 ch K-N1 39 R-KR4,B-

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37 Q-B5 ch K-Q2 38 N-B5 ch K-B2
38 N-K8 cht RxN 40 BxP ch K-N2
41 Q-N8 ch K-R1 42 QxN ch K-R2

Dharshan Kumaran, aged 11 years

2 months and current world under-12 holder totalled 4/9 including wins over

players. Matthew Sadler, 12 years 3 months, scored 51/2/9, missed the IM

norm by half a point, drew with IMs in

his last four games, and achieved the

youngest 2400 tournament rating per-

Adams, as evidenced by the above game, is developing an all-court play-

ing style in the mould of a junior Fischer, Sadier is a mini-Karpov or

and is tenacious under pressure.

Petroslan who grinds opponents down

gest GM and the first top class player

ever from Norway, wins here by

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ormance in chess history.

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24 P-R6 KR-K1 26 R-Q6 R-K3 28 PxP QxP(N2)

30 R-R4 B-B4 32 N-B6 ah K-B1

NORTH ♦ J 10 4 3 ♥ J 3 2 **♦ QJ7542** WEST EAST ♦ Q85 ♥ 984 · J63

SOUTH AK2 AKQ108 AQ974

The bidding: SOUTH WEST Double NB NB NB 5C(1)

(1) North made imaginative use of he opportunity to show his first-round control in a suit bid naturally by his partner; he could not possibly want to play in 5C once South had been doubled in 4C, and the inference was that he was cue-bidding with hearts as the agreed suit.

in the auction and asked for all kinds of explanations atterwards. This point did not pass unnoticed by Zia, who took full advantage of the inferences in the

play of his tricky slam contract.
West led the eight of diamonds to
the queen and king, and declarer
ruffed and immediately ruffed a club in dummy. A spade to the ace, a club ruff, a spade to the king and ariother club my hand, and immediately oashed the NORTH.

◆ A 10 B 6

AK86 & KO3 WEST ♠ J10973 ♥ K1005 K 10 G 5 SOUTH

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> ace and king of diamond clubs and over-ruffed in dummy

Strange as it may seem; this 685) beyond 3NT

5. What's this? Who won? (3, 3). Searches for musical Instrument:

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11. Solver? No good starting in early

queen in File (10).

(4-6).

10. Dazzling in display: only practice manoeuvre without 17 (13). Have a go (say) at pudding i consumed, and dance for joy (10). 17. Bad dog Henry's very light (8).

20. About to utter (vulgarly) refrain (4,

22, 23. Start weaponry in welcome (4,

1, 2. Lawn edger, partly waxed? (4-

3. Wrong luggage around at Stoke?

4. Hawker's pigeon looked into by

6. Headless body's various uses in 4

7. His iron gun may be good for him

8: A horse in alarm? He's got a job

ruff left the following position: **↓** J 10

WEST



432 A K 10 9 6 SOUTH WE

West led the jack of spades against the excellent contract of 6C. I wan in dummy, discarding a heart loser from diamond was ruffed by Wast's live of spade ruff in hand was followed b another diamond, ruffed by the and king of clubs, and I was then able to draw trumps and claim the rest of

slam was missed at almost every other table, and all the pairs who were employing complicated strong chib systems found, it difficult to progress

#### SOCCER RESULTS

won the title in 1968.

In Forest there is the same spread of youthful innovation backed by a solid core of experience, and the same delight in doing the basic things well. Neil Webb, Nigel Clough, Gary Birtles and Johnny Metgod know, even as they receive the ball, what they are going to do with it. When you watch Forest you realise that turning with the ball, making space, and threading a pass through the narrowest of gaps is not an art lost to the English game.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION: Coventry 3, Newcastle 0; Liverpool 2, Charlton 0; Luton 0, Arsenal 0; Manchester Utd 5, Southsmpton 1; Norwich 1, Watford 3; Notim F 6, Aston Ville 0; Oxford 0, Manchester C 0; GPR 2, West Ham 3; Sheffield W 2, Leicester 2; Tottenham 1, Chelses 3; Winbledon 1, Eventon 2, Leading positiones 1, Notim Forest (p6, pts13); 2, Liverpool (p6, pts13); 3, Eventon (p6, pts12).

SECOND DIVISION: Simingham 1, Huddersfield 1; Crystal Palace 1, Sheltield Utd 2; Grimsby 0, Derby 1; Leeds 3, Reading 2; Mewstl 2, Bractiond 2; Cicham 2, Stoke 0; Plymouth 2, Brighton 2; Pottemouth 1, Blackburn 0; Shrawsbury 1, Sameley 0; Sunderland 1, Hutl 0; WBA 3, Ipewich 4, Leeding positions: 1, Oldham (pS, pts16); 2, Crystal Palace (pS, pts12); 3, Portemouth (pS, pts14).

THRD DIVISION: Boursemouth 2, Bohon 1; Bristol R 0, Manafield 0; Bury 0, Rotherham 2: Carliele 0, Walsal 3; Chesterfeld 0, Bristol C 3; Delington 2, Notic County 1; Fulham 1, Brantind 3; Gittigham 0, Middlesbrough 0; Port Vale 2, York 3; Swindon 1, Chester 1; Wigan 1, Newport 2, Played Bundleri 1, Donosster 2, Blacipool 2, Leading positions: 1, York (p4, pts10); 2, Bristol City (p4, pts8); 3, Middlesbrough (p4, pts8).

POLIETH DRASHON: Aldershot 4. Lincoln 0: Burnley

answer to the one that goes away late — Carr — the one that nips

1, Hardepool 1: Cambridge Utd 2, Exeter 2: Cardin 0, Tranmere 2: Crewe 1, Wolverhampton 1: Orient 3. Soundrope 1: Presson 2. Hereford 1. Played Bundey: Northempton 02. Peterborough 1. Leading positions: 1. Northempton (04. pis10): 2. Swanses (04. pis3): 3. Exeter (04. pis10): 2. Swanses (05. pis10): 3. Exeter (04. pis10): 4. Swanses (05. pis10): 4. He gave away the second goal by falling over as he second goal by falling over as he went to intercept a centre, and interest (07. pis10): 3. Cetto (07. pis10): 4. Rangers (07. pis10): 5. Cetto (07. pis10): 6. Cetto (

tor, plato.

BCOTTISH PIRST DIVISION: Airdie 3, Kimarnock S; Brechin 1, Dunismine 4; Dumberton 1, Monkrose C; Forder 2, Chyle 1; Partick 2, Morton 5; Morton 6; South 2, E File 0, Leading positions 6; Portal 2; 2, Cuniermine (p7, plat2); 3, Dumberton (p7, plat2); 2, Cuniermine (p7, plat2); 3.

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**ARAUCARIA** 1. Hunch you'll find in Finn a bache- 18. Large Irishman after knick-knack? 19, 15. Lobby for returning African volcano (8). Record border in discord: show taste or blas (12). years (5).

24. Beside unturning lane? (5).

12. 5 is in supreme chaos, making 25. Pith of Aralia, for feeding and Beside unturning lane? (5). little mark (12). 26. Last row in Little England (6). 16. An exclamation of surprise at the 27. Philosopher's piece of ground in

ORCHARD CASCADE

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